



Masai Giraffe

(*Giraffa camelopardalis tippelskirchi*)

Size:

Body length,
4.2 - 5.3 m

Weight:

703 - 1,395 kg

Habitat:

Acacia savannahs in
Kenya, Tanzania and
Rwanda

Surviving number:

Estimated at 60,000

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Above it all. The Masai giraffe's towering stature gives it a privileged position on the savannah, allowing it to outcompete other plant foragers and spot predators long before they get near. Built for height, the giraffe has dense, strong bones closer to the ground, while those in its neck and head are relatively light. Males even use their long necks as weapons when fighting

each other. But the world's tallest animal has no defense against the dual scourges of illegal hunting and habitat loss.

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