



### Amami Oshima Frog (*Odorrana splendida*)

**Size:** Body length, 9.2 - 12.3 cm **Weight:** Up to 300 g **Habitat:** Old-growth, broad-leaved evergreen forests of Amami Oshima Island **Surviving number:** Unknown



Photographed by Shawn Miller

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Come closer...closer. The short, single-note mating call of the male Amami Oshima frog is intended to draw females to a spot he's discovered for them to deposit eggs: an underground water hole on the side of a rocky stream. But such prized locations are getting harder to find as the endemic amphibian's already limited range becomes ever more fragmented. Habitat

loss is bad enough, but an introduced mongoose species is also ravaging populations. We may be coming closer to the day when this frog is but a memory.

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