



Western Hoolock Gibbon
(*Hoolock hoolock*)

Size: Head and body length, 78 - 81 cm
Weight: Males approx. 6.9 kg; females approx. 6.1 kg
Habitat: Old growth, tropical rainforest, and tropical moist deciduous and subtropical broadleaf hill forest
Surviving number: Estimated at fewer than 5,000

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A higher level. The western hoolock gibbon shows an incredible level of skill at moving in the trees. It can propel itself forward hand-over-hand and leap great distances. Able to walk along branches using its long arms for balance, it can also suspend itself with one hand to reach and feed from branches that can't bear its weight. A lover of fruits, the gibbon is

an important seed disperser. But its forest home is disappearing due to habitat loss and degradation. Born to the trees, where else could it go?

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