



Small Sulawesi Cuscus (*Strigocuscus celebensis*)

Size: Head and body length, 29.4 - 38 cm; tail, 27 - 37.3 cm **Weight:** Approx. 1 kg

Habitat: Primary and occasionally secondary forests on the islands of Sulawesi, Sangihe and Siau **Surviving number:** Unknown



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Master climber. Taking advantage of its strong claws and also grasping branches with its tail, the small Sulawesi cuscus moves easily through the forest canopy. A great deal of foraging time is dedicated to searching out choice leaves and fruit, but the little marsupial also preys on bird nests. This predation plays an important part in the island ecosystem, as does its role as a seed

disperser. However, as trees fall with the advance of deforestation and hunters continue to set their sights on the small Sulawesi cuscus, who knows how much longer it can keep climbing?

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