



Asian Small-clawed Otter (*Aonyx cinereus*)

Size: Head and body length, 36 - 44 cm; tail, 22.5 - 27 cm **Weight:** 2.4 - 3.8 kg **Habitat:** Wetland ecosystems with small pools of stagnant water **Surviving number:** Unknown; populations declining



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Social life. The opposite of a wallflower, the Asian small-clawed otter is always up for playtime, grooming and interactions of all kinds with its fellow group members. These otters communicate with seven structurally different vocalizations, forage together for crabs, shellfish, snakes, insects and more, and even help raise one another's young. But their cooperative,

all-for-one and one-for-all lifestyle is under serious threat due to habitat destruction and degradation, as well as poaching for the fur and pet trades.

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