



Goitered Gazelle (*Gazella subgutturosa*)

Size: Head and body length, 90 - 126 cm; shoulder height, 56 - 80 cm; tail, 10 - 23 cm **Weight:** 18 - 40 kg

Habitat: Desert and semidesert, from grassland to foothills and mountain valleys

Surviving number: Estimated at 80,000 - 90,000



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Big on bellowing. The large cylinder of cartilage that bulges at the goitered gazelle's throat amplifies the male's call, used during mating season to impress females and intimidate rivals. Males also mark their turf with urine, dung and glandular secretions. Small, related groups break off from the herd at calving time, when females often give birth to twins. The mother hides her calves while grazing, moving them to a new hiding

place each time they nurse. Caution is certainly warranted in a dangerous world—ever-advancing habitat loss and heavy poaching threaten to silence the goitered gazelle's voice forever.

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