



West African Giraffe (*Giraffa camelopardalis peralta*)

Size: Head and body length (males), 381 - 550 cm; tail (males), 78.7 - 104.1 cm **Weight:** 550 - 1,930 kg

Habitat: Southwestern Niger; prefers dry savannah and open woodland

Surviving number: Estimated at 310



Photographed by Christophe Courteau

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Looking up. After falling to a low of just 50 in 1996, the West African giraffe population is growing again, aided by conservation efforts and the absence of predators able to target the world's tallest terrestrial animal. Temporary groups forage at night, their long necks suited to reaching choice leaves. But to drink or feed on low vegetation, they are obliged to spread their front legs wide, and when fully asleep they curve their necks at

extreme angles to rest their heads on a hip or upper rear leg while sitting. Room to stretch out is in short supply due to loss and fragmentation of habitat, and their comeback is far from certain.

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