Meerkat





Habitat: Open country in South Africa

Size: 10-14 inches long and a 7-10 inch tail. Up to 2 pounds

Life Span: About 10 years

Diet: insects, reptiles, birds and fruit

Reproduction: Up to 4 young after a gestation period of 11 weeks.

Conservation Status

Extinct
Extinct in the wild
Critically Endangered
Endangered
Vulnerable
Near Threatened
Least Concern

Due to:
There are no major
threats to this
species.

Did You Know?

The adults cooperate with each other in specific duties; the sentries stand guard, the hunters dig and search for food, the babysitters help care for the young, and the teachers show young meerkats how to hunt and stay away from danger.