Animals on the road Giant Bullfrog

Did you know: Giant Bullfrogs are often called ["]pixie" frogs, because of their Latin name?

Pyxicephalus adspersus

Large, heavy-bodied frog. Olive-green in colour with distinct skin ridges that have whitish tips. Facial area is a uniform colour, groin and armpits are splashed with orange. Toes have minimal webbing.



Threats faced by Giant Bullfrogs

- Being hit by cars when crossing roads to get to breeding sites, particularly in urban areas such as Gauteng the risks we take to be together!
- Habitat destruction and fragmentation resulting from human-related developments and activities.

To conserve the Giant Bullfrog, we need to identify hotspot areas where most roadkill happens. You can help us to do this by reporting any sightings of Giant Bullfrogs or their remains on the road, to: <u>roads@ewt.org.za</u> or download our app, <u>EWT Road Watch</u> from Google Play. Giant Bullfrogs, are only seen at certain times of the year, buried underground until conditions are favourable - even if this takes up to 18 months! They will emerge from underground at the start of the rainy season, and will travel up to 5 km to breed in nearby shallow pools, pans and ditches. They are active by day during the breeding season. Towards the end of the rainy season, Giant Bullfrog adults will again burrow underground for the dry season using their powerful hind legs.





The Giant Bullfrog's lower jaw contains three strong teeth used to restrain prey.







Rhinoceroses (or rhinos for short) belong to the group of mammals known as ungulates, or hoofed animals. They have three toes, which places them in a group called the odd-toed ungulates, alongside horses and tapirs.

Black Rhino Scientific Name: Diceros bicornis Mouth Shape: Hook lipped Body Weight: 800 - 1,300 kg Body length: 3.0-3.8 m Diet: Herbivore, browser - eats leaves and twigs Habitat: wooded Savannah (thicker) Life span: 30-40 years Conservation Status: Critically Endangered Estimated number in the wild: +/- 5,500



There are five species of rhino on earth, two in Africa and three in Asia. All five are at risk of extinction and all are threatened by the activities of man.

White Rhino

Scientific Name: Ceratotherium simum Mouth Shape: Square lipped Body Weight: 1,350-3,500 kg Body length: 3.4 m-4.2 m Diet: Herbivore, grazer - eats grass Habitat: Savannah and grasslands (more open) Life Span: 40-50 years Conservation Status: Near Threatened Estimated number in the wild: +/- 18,000

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