

COLLARED PECCARY

FUN FACT!

Peccaries are social animals with a keen sense of smell, but what really sets them apart is their dental hygiene secret - they love to chew on sticks and branches, not just for fun, but to keep those pearly whites clean!

FACT SHEET

Scientific Name
PECARI TAJACU

Region

HAILS FROM THE DESERTS AND SCRUBLANDS OF CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

They even wanders into the southwestern United States. They love their cactus snacks and don't mind the heat!

Diet

OMNIVORE (MEATS & PLANTS)

Roots and bulbs are on the menu, with an occasional side of farmer's dismay.

Life Span

IN THE WILD

7-9 years

IN THE ZOO

Up to 10-15 years

Size

WEIGHT

35-60 pounds

HEIGHT

16-20 inches at the shoulder



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ON MAP

CONSERVATION STATUS

LEAST CONCERN (LC)



The IUCN, International Union for Conservation of Nature maintains the Red List, a global database assessing the conservation status of species. It's a vital tool for tracking endangered species and guiding conservation efforts.

