

# GUINEA PIGS

## FUN FACT!

Despite their name, guinea pigs actually originated from South America. They make great pets because they have friendly and social personalities.

## FACT SHEET

Scientific Name  
**CAVIA PORCELLUS**

### Region

**ORIGINATED FROM SOUTH AMERICA.**

They usually live in grassy or wooded areas.

### Diet

**HERBIVORE (PLANTS)**

A hearty meal of hay and veggies keeps their tiny tummies satisfied.

### Life Span

**IN THE WILD**

5-8 years

**IN THE ZOO**

Up to 10 years

### Size

**WEIGHT**

1-2 pounds

**HEIGHT**

4-8 inches



**NORTHERN**

## CONSERVATION STATUS

**NOT EVALUATED (NE)**



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.

