

COUGAR

FUN FACT!

Known for their elusiveness, cougars are the phantoms of their habitats, capable of impressive leaps and a solitary lifestyle.

FACT SHEET

Scientific Name

PUMA CONCOLOR

Region

ORIGINATED FROM AFRICA

Cougars are found from the Canadian Yukon to the southern Andes of South America. They adapt to diverse terrains, including forests, mountains, and deserts, utilizing the landscape for hunting and shelter.

Life Span

IN THE WILD

8-13 years

IN THE ZOO

Up to 20 years

Diet

CARNIVORE (MEAT)

Cougars adapt their diet based on available prey, from small rodents to large hoofed animals.

Size

WEIGHT

64-220 pounds

HEIGHT

24-35 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.

