

LEARN AT CHESTER ZOO



A fairly high risk of becoming Extinct in the Wild

Name	Lowland Tapir
Scientific Name	<i>Tapirus terrestris</i>
Threats (why they're at risk)	Cutting down trees and hunting for meat
Distribution (where they live)	South America
Habitat (what they live in)	Tropical rainforest
Diet/Feeding strategy (what they eat and how they eat it)	They eat fruit and plants. They usually graze at night and rest in the daytime.
Social behaviour (how they live)	They are solitary and live in their own home ranges.
Males and females	Females are bigger than males
Lifespan (how long they live for)	up to 30 years in the wild
Number of young (how many babies)	They're born stripy, but lose them as they get older
Interesting fact	Their nose and upper lip are joined together to make short, flexible trunks (like an elephant's).