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**A very high risk of becoming Extinct in the Wild**

<b>Name</b>	African Painted Dog ( <i>also known as African wild dog, or African hunting dog</i> )
<b>Scientific Name</b>	<i>Lycaon pictus</i>
<b>Threats</b> (why they're at risk)	Habitat fragmentation, human-wildlife conflict and disease transmission.
<b>Distribution</b> (where they live)	A handful of countries in Africa.
<b>Habitat</b> (what they live in)	Forest, Grassland, Shrubland, Savannah, and Desert.
<b>Diet/Feeding strategy</b> (what they eat and how they eat it)	Carnivorous and formidable endurance hunters. Hunting in a coordinated pack helps them to capture prey much larger than themselves. Hunt prey such as wild boar, deer and antelope.
<b>Social behaviour</b> (how they live)	Very social animals. They usually live in packs of between 2 and 27 individuals. Each pack has an alpha female and an alpha male.
<b>Males and females</b>	They weigh between 20 and 30kg and have a head-body length of 85-141cm. Males are slightly larger than females.
<b>Lifespan</b> (how long they live for)	Upto 11 years.
<b>Number of young</b> (how many babies)	10-11 pups, which are looked after by the pack.
<b>Interesting fact</b>	Each animal has its own unique coat pattern, this helps painted dogs recognise each other.