

# Learn about Red River Hogs!

Red River Hogs are found the rainforests of Central Africa, they share the same habitat as Gorillas, Yellow-backed Duiker, and Black and White Colobus monkeys. They are named for their reddish brown fur and the fact that they are often seen wading through water. They are omnivores, they eat plants and some meat and insects. They are active during the day and during the night, they spend most of their time looking for food to eat. In the wild they are often the prey of leopards, so they will live in groups to watch out for each other.

## Shovel Noses

Red River Hogs, like all wild pigs, have an awesome tool to help them dig to find their favorite foods like roots, bulbs, insects, earthworms and grubs. Its their nose! Their tough snout also helps them smell edible roots 10 inches deep in the soil!



The Little Rock Zoo supports the conservation efforts of the Red River Hog Species Survival Plan, helping to conserve these amazing animals in zoos and in the wild.

Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

Lukuru Foundation - Red River Hogs on Camera Trap: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hr0oubKrGaQ>

Smithsonian National Zoo: <https://nationalzoo.si.edu/animals/red-river-hog>

San Diego Zoo: <https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/wild-swine-pig-and-hog>

# Red River Hog Headband!

One of Red River Hogs' most distinctive features, besides their bright reddish brown colors, are their amazing ear tassels. Their large ears help Red River Hogs to listen for predators and other dangers.

Color and cut out these Red River Hog ears. Ask an adult to help you make a paper headband. Fold back the tabs and paste your Red River Hog ears to the headband. Then show off your amazing Red River Hog ears, just like Harry and Passion Flower!

