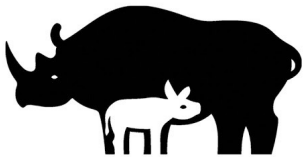# LITTLE ROCK ZOO

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Learn about Servals!

Servals are a small cat that is found on the grasslands of Africa, sharing habitat with rhinos, zebras, gazelles, and lions. Like all cats, Servals are carnivores, they need to eat meat to survive. Servals eat a varied diet of small mammals, like mice, reptiles, birds, and even large insects!

Long Legs for Leaping

Servals have exceptionally long legs that are very powerful! They are known to be able to leap 9 feet straight up in the air to catch birds! They can also use their longs legs to reach deep into rodent burrows.

Species Survival Plan

The Little Rock Zoo supports the Serval Species Survival Plan, which helps to protect this amazing species in zoos and the wild!

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

National Geographic:

https://www.nationalgeographic.com/science/phenomena/2013/10/11/photo-safari-serval/
Serval vs. Snake: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6okkKX3mjV4

Other:

Smithsonian Channel - Serval vs. Guinea Fowl: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ykGr4QPlvtY

Zoological Society of London: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZw9Qx77zCw

African Wildlife Foundation: https://awf.org/wildlife-conservation/serval

San Diego Zoo: https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/serval

Show Off your Serval Ears!

Servals have the largest ears of any cat, relative to the size of their head. They use their huge ears while they are hunting, to find small animals in the tall grass or in their underground burrows.

If we had ears as big as Servals do our ears would be the size of a dinner plate!

Share how much you love Servals!

1. Find two large plates!

2. Ask an adult to help you take a picture with the plates on your head, just like Serval ears!

3. Ask an adult to post the photo, remember to tag the Little Rock Zoo and use the hashtags:

   #LRZoo #ImissMyzoo

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