



MONGOLIAN GAZELLE (ZEREN)

Procapra gutturosa

SPECIES QUICK FACTS

SIZE

The Mongolian gazelle averages between 3.5 and 5 feet in length and stands about 2 to 3 feet high at the shoulder.

WEIGHT

The Mongolian gazelle is rather small, ranging between 45 and 85 pounds.

FOOD HABITS

The Mongolian gazelle's diet consists primarily of a variety of herbs and grasses.

HABITAT

The Mongolian gazelle is found in sub-desert habitats and in grassy steppes.

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

The Mongolian gazelle is found throughout Mongolia as well as in some regions of northern China and southern Russia.

FUN FACT

The Mongolian gazelle can run at speeds of up to 40 miles an hour and maintain that speed for nine miles.



The Mongolian gazelle is a unique ungulate found throughout the sub-desert habitats of Mongolia, northern China and southern Russia. Males of this species develop a swollen throat, similar to the condition of goiter, during the breeding season. Only males have horns, which run parallel to their back. In the spring, groups of as many as 8,000 animals have been found together during migration. The Mongolian gazelle is very agile: it can run at speeds of up to 40 miles per hour, can swim across wide rivers, and can jump as high as seven feet in the air.

