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TOP 25 MOST ENDANGERED PRIMATES

Primates are among the most persecuted of tropical species — relentlessly hunted for their meat and fur, bodies broken for dubious medicines, shot for stealing crops in fields which were once their home. All the forests of the world cannot sate the sum of human hunger: they are cut and burned, day and night, and the remnants of their grandeur will not long survive without our intervention. Thus no primate is entirely free from danger; but the few highlighted in this report are those whose very existence is in doubt. Each one named here is almost lost — each an entire race of beings, now reduced to a tattered remnant: two or three dozen in the worst of cases, a mere few hundred for the rest. From the Atlantic Forest of Brazil to the monsoon slopes of Madagascar, from the mountains of southwest China to the islands of Mentawai, these primates are caught between fading hope and hard oblivion. And if through our failure of action they should cease to exist, we will have lost our nearest companions — and a part of ourselves — from what wilderness remains in the world. These galleries link to individual profiles of the Top 25 primates; you may also download the full report on [Primates in Peril: 2008-2010](#) as a PDF (14.4 MB).



Africa



Asia



Madagascar



Neotropics



Rondo Dwarf Galago
Galagoides rondoensis



Javan Slow Loris
Nycticebus javanicus



Greater Bamboo Lemur
Prolemur simus



Cotton-top Tamarin
Saguinus oedipus



Roloway Guenon
Cercocebus diana roloway



Siau Island Tarsier
Tarsius tumpara



Gray-headed Lemur
Eulemur cinereiceps



Brown Spider Monkey
Ateles hybridus



Tana River Red Colobus
Procolobus rufomitatus



Simakobu
Simias concolor



Sclater's Lemur
Eulemur flavifrons



Yellow-tailed Woolly M.
Oreonax flavicauda



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Niger Delta Red Colobus
Monkey
Procolobus epieni



Delacour's Langur
Trachypithecus delacouri



Northern Sportive Lemur
Lepilemur septentrionalis



Kipunji
Rungwecebus kipunji



Cat Ba Langur
*Trachypithecus p.
poliocephalus*



Silky Sifaka
Propithecus candidus

Cross River Gorilla
Gorilla gorilla diehli

Western Purple-faced
Langur
*Semnopithecus vetulus
nestor*



Grey-Shanked Douc
Pygathrix cinerea



Tonkin Snub-nosed
Monkey
Rhinopithecus avunculus



Eastern Black Crested
Gibbon
Nomascus nasutus



W. Hoolock Gibbon
Hoolock hoolock



Sumatran Orangutan
Pongo abelii



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