

Giraffes, the tallest of the land animals, live in the savannas of Africa. They are well known for their long necks, long legs and spotted patterns.



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Giraffes usually live in family troops of 2 to 6. While mothers feed, calves are kept in small nursery groups.

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No two giraffes have the same pattern. They use their markings to hide themselves among trees.

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Giraffes sleep only about a half an hour per day. They rarely lay down. They sleep and give birth standing up.

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Giraffes are quite agile and can run very fast. They can moo, hiss, roar and whistle.

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Giraffes can go for up two weeks without water. Their long necks help them eat leaves from acacia trees.

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Giraffes have the largest eyes of any land mammal. A giraffe's tongue can extend almost 45 cm.