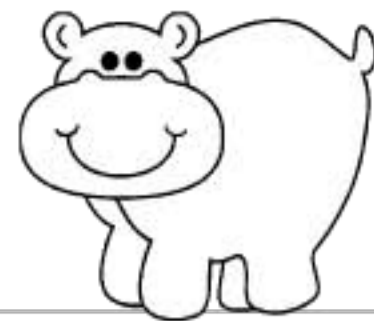


Hippos live in the rivers, lakes and swamps. They are the third largest African animal. Adult hippos have no natural enemy.



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Baby hippos are usually born underwater. They learn to swim before they can walk.

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Hippos spend most of their day in water. Being too heavy to swim, they navigate under water by walking on the bottom.

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At night hippos leave the water. They walk to their favourite meadows and nibble on the grass.

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A male hippo can weigh half a ton. Even though hippos are so big, they only eat plants, and can eat 45 kg grass every night.

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The name hippopotamus comes from the Greek and means *river horse*. But the hippo is more closely related to the pig than the horse.

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Hippos may look cute, but actually they are very dangerous. They can be extremely aggressive and unpredictable, especially if they feel threatened.