

Z.P.G.A. "Cubs Club" Newsletter

November 2021 edition
A focus on Black Rhino



Welcome to the Z.P.G.A. Cubs Club

Black rhinos are the smaller of the two African rhino species. The most notable difference between white and black rhinos is the black rhino's hooked upper lip. This distinguishes them from the white rhino, which has a square lip.

Black rhinos are browsers rather than grazers and their pointed lip helps them feed on leaves from bushes and trees. They have two horns, and occasionally a third, small posterior horn.



Ethics are everything!



- **STATUS** - Critically Endangered
- **POPULATION** - Around 5,500
- **SCIENTIFIC NAME** - *Diceros bicornis*
- **HEIGHT** - 5.2 feet
- **WEIGHT** - 1,760 -3,080 pounds
- **HABITATS** - Semi-Desert Savannah, Woodlands, Forests, Wetlands

Populations of black rhino declined dramatically in the 20th century at the hands of European hunters and settlers.

Between 1960 and 1995 black rhino numbers dropped by a sobering 98% to less than 2,500. Since then the species has made a tremendous comeback from the brink of extinction.

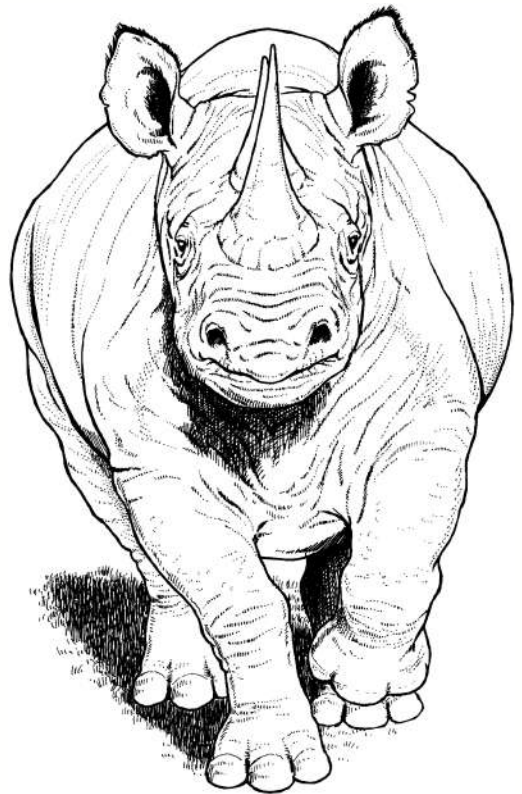
Thanks to persistent conservation efforts across Africa black rhino numbers have doubled from their historic low 20 years ago to around 5,600 today. However, the black rhino is still considered critically endangered, and a lot of work remains to bring the numbers up to even a fraction of what it once was – and to ensure that it stays there. Wildlife crime – in this case poaching and black-market trafficking of rhino horn – continues to plague the species and threaten its recovery.





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Two fun facts
about the Black Rhino:

Black rhino calves tend to walk behind their mother. White rhino calves are often seen walking in front of their mother. It's likely that this is so that they can keep their grazing eyes on their calves and any predators in their midst more easily.

SCIENTIFIC NAME AND ORIGIN

Diceros bicornis Dicero from the Greek "di", meaning "two" and "ceros", meaning "horn" and "bicornis" from the Latin "bi", meaning "two" and "cornis", meaning "horn."

African Animals

Word Search Puzzle



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ANTELOPE	GAZELLE	LEOPARD
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In Victoria Falls City all the boys and girls are doing their bit to keep the important World Heritage site clean and free of rubbish. These learners are from MotherTouch school. I think they are an example to all of us. Does your school do a litter clean up once a week?