## Amur Leopard

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## Facts about the Amur Leopard.

The Amur Leopard is adapted to the cool climate by having thick fur which can grow to 7.5cm thick. For camouflage in the snow their fur coat is paler than other leopards. Like other Leopards it can run up to 37 miles per hour and the incredible animal can jump 19 feet horizontally and up to 10 feet vertically! The population has increased to over 100 in the wild and about 300 in zoos across the world. Amur leopards mainly eat cloven-hoofed-animals although sometimes eat other animals like birds or even fish, among from cloven-hoofed-animals their main prey is spotted deer and roe deer.

Conservation Status: Critically endangered

Class: Mammal

Scientific Name: Panthera Pardus Orientilis

**Lifespan:** 10-15 years in the wild

Height: Male: 64-78cm (up to shoulder) Female: 45-75cm (up to shoulder)

**Mass:** Male: 32-48kg Female: 25-42kg

**Length:** Male: 1.1-1.4m Female: 0.73-1.1m

They mainly live in the Far Eastern forests of Russia and on the border of china experiencing harsh winters and deep snow as well as, exhausting summers. Fire fighting teams and Antipoaching brigades have been established in their habitats trying to help them. While programmes are showing how to value the forests and what beautiful animals (including Amur leopards) live there. They are endangered as people love their priceless fur and the illegal wildlife trade.