

# Learn about Maned Wolves!

Maned Wolves are found in the grasslands of South America! They use their long legs and large ears to hunt for small prey like rodents and birds on the grasslands. Despite their name they are not actually wolves, they are most closely related to another South American species, the Bush Dog!

#### Communicate with Smells

Maned Wolves, spend most of their lives alone, so to communicate they will leave a scent similar to a skunk to tell other wolves they are in the area. They will also roar-bark.



#### **Fruit Eating Carnivores**

Maned Wolves, unlike most other members of the dog family, are omnivores!

Up to 70% of their diet is plants! One of their favorite foods is the loberia, also called the "fruit of the wolf" or wolf apple!



The Little Rock Zoo works with the Maned Wolf Species Survival Plan, which helps to protect this amazing species in zoos and in the wild!

### Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

Smithsonian Channel - Future of Maned Wolves: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XJDeOoZmUnc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XJDeOoZmUnc</a>
The Endangered Wolf Center: <a href="https://www.endangeredwolfcenter.org/educational-resources/maned-wolf/">https://www.endangeredwolfcenter.org/educational-resources/maned-wolf/</a>
Smithsonian National Zoo: <a href="https://nationalzoo.si.edu/animals/maned-wolf">https://nationalzoo.si.edu/animals/maned-wolf</a>

## Raising Maned Wolves

Maned Wolves form monogamous pairs and work together to raise their pups! However they must wander up to 10 miles to find enough food to feed their hungry pups! Help both Maned Wolves make it back to their pups!

