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## Amazing Species: Sunda Pangolin

The **Sunda Pangolin**, *Manis javanica*, is listed as 'Endangered' on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species™. It is one of eight surviving pangolin species, also known as a Scaly Anteater, and although widely distributed throughout mainland and island Southeast Asia, it is now thought to have been locally extirpated in northern areas of its geographic range.

The principal threat to the Sunda Pangolin is illegal hunting for illicit international trade. Trade-driven hunting has escalated to a commercial scale throughout its range to meet demand in China and Vietnam, where the meat of the animal is consumed and its scales, either in whole or powdered form, are used as an ingredient in traditional medicines. Loss of habitat poses a secondary threat.

International trade in the Sunda Pangolin is prohibited. As well as being listed in CITES Appendix II, the species is subject to zero export quotas, established in 2000, though trade continues. Better enforcement of regulatory measures is urgently needed to reduce trade-driven hunting pressure on this species. Although difficult to keep in captivity, a number of conservation programmes and zoos now have small populations of Sunda Pangolins, which offers some hope for the future.

**Knowledge**<sup>EQ</sup>  
**Experts**<sup>EQ</sup>  
**Action**<sup>EQ</sup>  
**Get Involved**<sup>EQ</sup>



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