

A capybara with thick, brown fur is shown in profile, facing right. It is standing on a sandy or dirt ground with some rocks and debris in the background. The lighting is natural, suggesting an outdoor environment.

# CAPYBARA

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- Largest rodents in the world
- Weigh up to 64 kg
- Length up to 60 cm
- Coarse fur
- Long sharp teeth





# WHERE THEY LIVE



- Forests
- Grasslands
- Wetlands
- Ponds & rivers

# WHAT THEY EAT



- Grasses
- Aquatic plants
- Fruits
- Grains, melons, reeds and squashes
- Own poop!



# WHAT THEY CAN DO

- Semi-aquatic animals
- Excellent swimmers with webbed feet
- Can hold their breath for up to 5 minutes while underwater!
- Can run almost as fast as a horse!



# HOW THEY COMMUNICATE

They bark!

- Very vocal
- Communicate using barks, chirps, whistles, huffs, and purrs
- Chatter to keep track of each other.



# LIFE CYCLE



- Live 8-10 years in the wild
- 4-5 babies are born
- Pup weighs 1.3 kg
- 1 week: eat & walk alone



# PREDATORS

- Jaguars
- Anacondas
- Caimans
- Humans



# WHY CAPYBARAS MAKE GREAT PETS

- One of the friendliest wild animals
- Extremely social, kind and compassionate
- Like being pet and cuddled



# HAPPY WATCHING!



# RESOURCES

Animal Fact Guide – Capybara <https://animalfactguide.com/animal-facts/capybara/>

Baby Capybara <https://capybarafacts.com/baby-capybara/>

Capybara <https://animals.sandiegozoo.org/animals/capybara>

Capybara Teeth <https://a-z-animals.com/blog/capybara-teeth-everything-you-need-to-know/>

Capybara, the Largest Rodent <https://capybarafacts.com/>

8 Unusual Facts About Capybara Teeth <https://untamedanimals.com/capybara-teeth-are-amazing/>