

**ONE IS FASTER**

**ONE IS AN EXCELLENT CLIMBER**

**ONE IS MORE THREATENED  
WITH EXTINCTION**

**CAN YOU TELL THEM APART?**



**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE**  
CHEETAH OR LEOPARD?

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**Nocturnal**  
Leopards are mostly active at night

# LEOPARD

Leopards and cheetahs live in very similar areas. Although they look alike, they are very different in many ways. It is important to know how to tell them apart, for your personal safety, your livestock's safety, and for knowing how to manage them on your farm.

# CHEETAH

**Diurnal**



Cheetahs are mostly active in the day (diurnal) especially early morning and late afternoon (crepuscular)

## Proactive Protection Principles



Kraaling sick or injured animals protects them while they are vulnerable



Maintaining wild prey on your farm allows leopards to choose them instead of your livestock

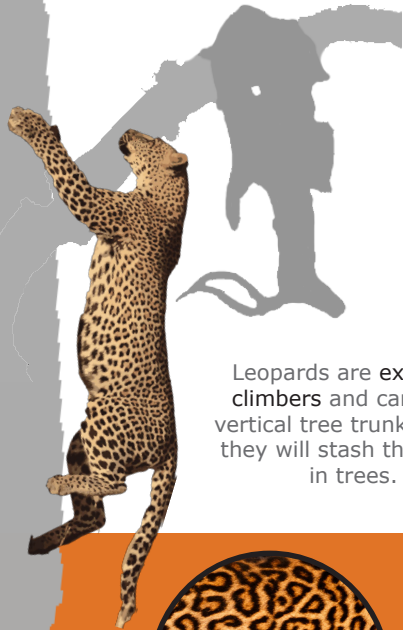


Select for mothers who protect their calves

**Small Home Ranges**  
highly territorial

**WARNING**  
Will react aggressively if chased or hunted

Leopards are excellent climbers and can scale vertical tree trunks. Often they will stash their food in trees.



no tear marks

**~70,000**  
left in Africa  
**VULNERABLE**



tear marks

**~7,000**  
left in Africa  
**VULNERABLE**

## Proactive Protection Principles



Livestock guarding dogs are highly effective against cheetahs



Herders can scare away carnivores when they approach the livestock



Kraaling young animals protects them until they are strong enough to defend themselves

**Large Home Ranges**  
less territorial

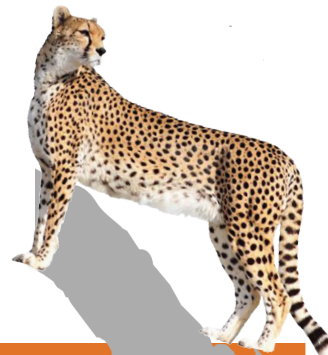
**RARELY**  
aggressive towards people but will defend themselves if cornered



World's fastest runner

**100**  
km/hr

Cheetahs are excellent jumpers. They are likely to scale low-sloping branches to use as lookouts but will not climb vertical trunks. Males will also scent mark in trees



Spots are rosettes with brown in the middle



Round spur - usually no claws



Body is stocky and muscular; short, thick legs; large head; strong neck - designed for strength



Body is tall and skinny; long, thin legs; small head; small neck - designed for speed



Oval-shaped spur with claws visible



Solid spots