



National Wildlife Federation's

# THREATENED & ENDANGERED SPECIES COLORING BOOK



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**Protecting endangered species is crucial for preserving biodiversity and maintaining balanced ecosystems.**

## **What is an endangered species?**

Endangered species are plants and animals at risk of becoming extinct due to various threats such as habitat loss, pollution, climate change, and human exploitation.

In the U.S., individual states and the federal government can list a species as threatened, endangered, or a number of other designations. The U.S. Endangered Species Act (ESA) protections are enforced at the federal level by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) for certain marine species. U.S. states enforce protections for species listed at the state level.

The International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) Red List provides conservation status assessments for species globally that are used by governments internationally to determine protections.

**GET READY  
TO COLOR!**



**There are over 1,300  
endangered or threatened  
species in the U.S.**

# American Flamingo

American flamingos are the only flamingo species native to North America.

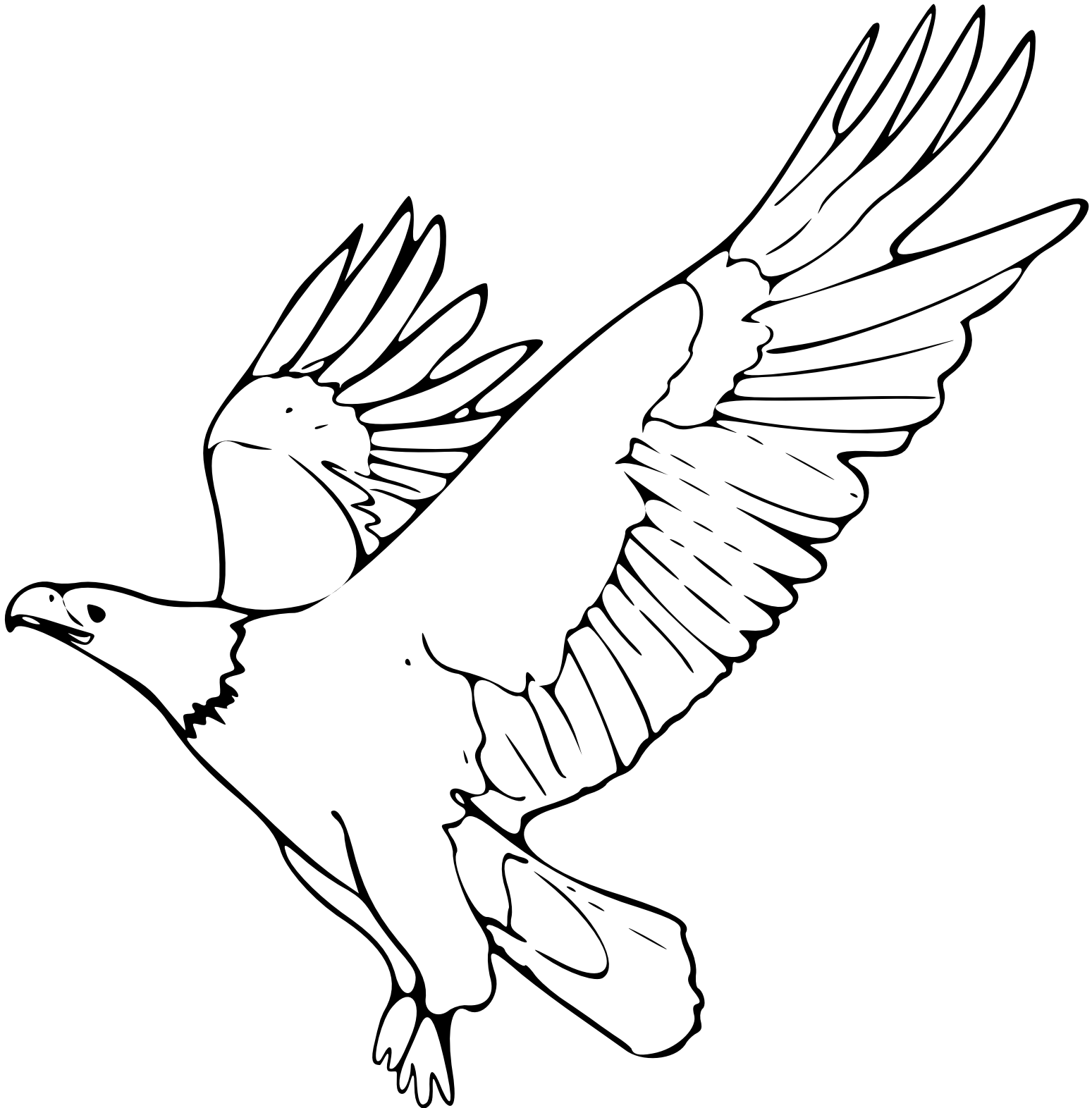
**Status:** *Least Concern*, IUCN Red List



# Bald Eagle

Bald eagles have an impressive average wingspan of 6.5 feet!

**Status: *Delisted*.** The bald eagle was previously listed under the Endangered Species Act but was delisted in 2007 due to recovery efforts.

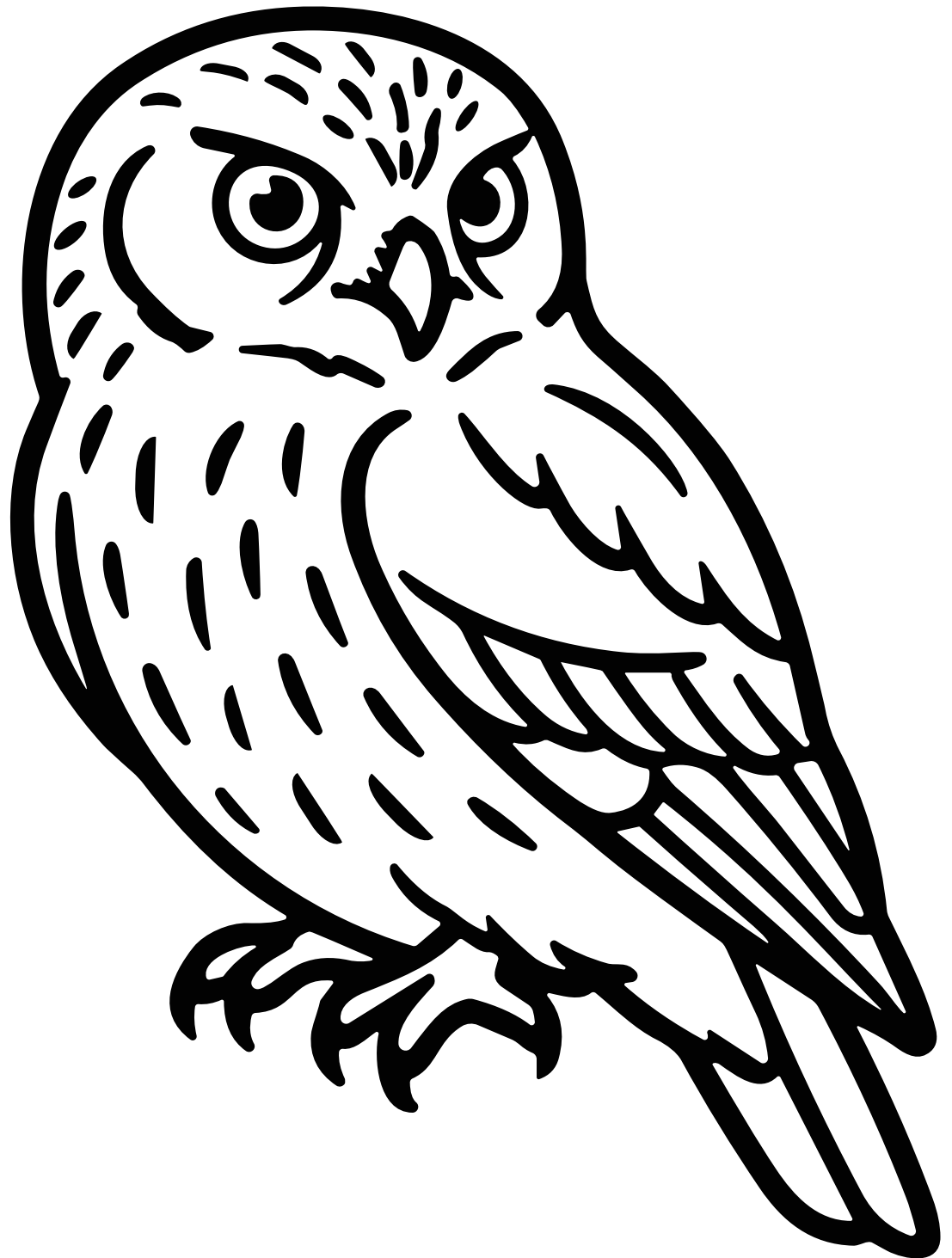


The Endangered Species Act: Protecting at-risk plants and animals since 1973.

# Cactus Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl

Cactus ferruginous pygmy-owls can fit in the palm of your hand and only weigh about 2.5 ounces!

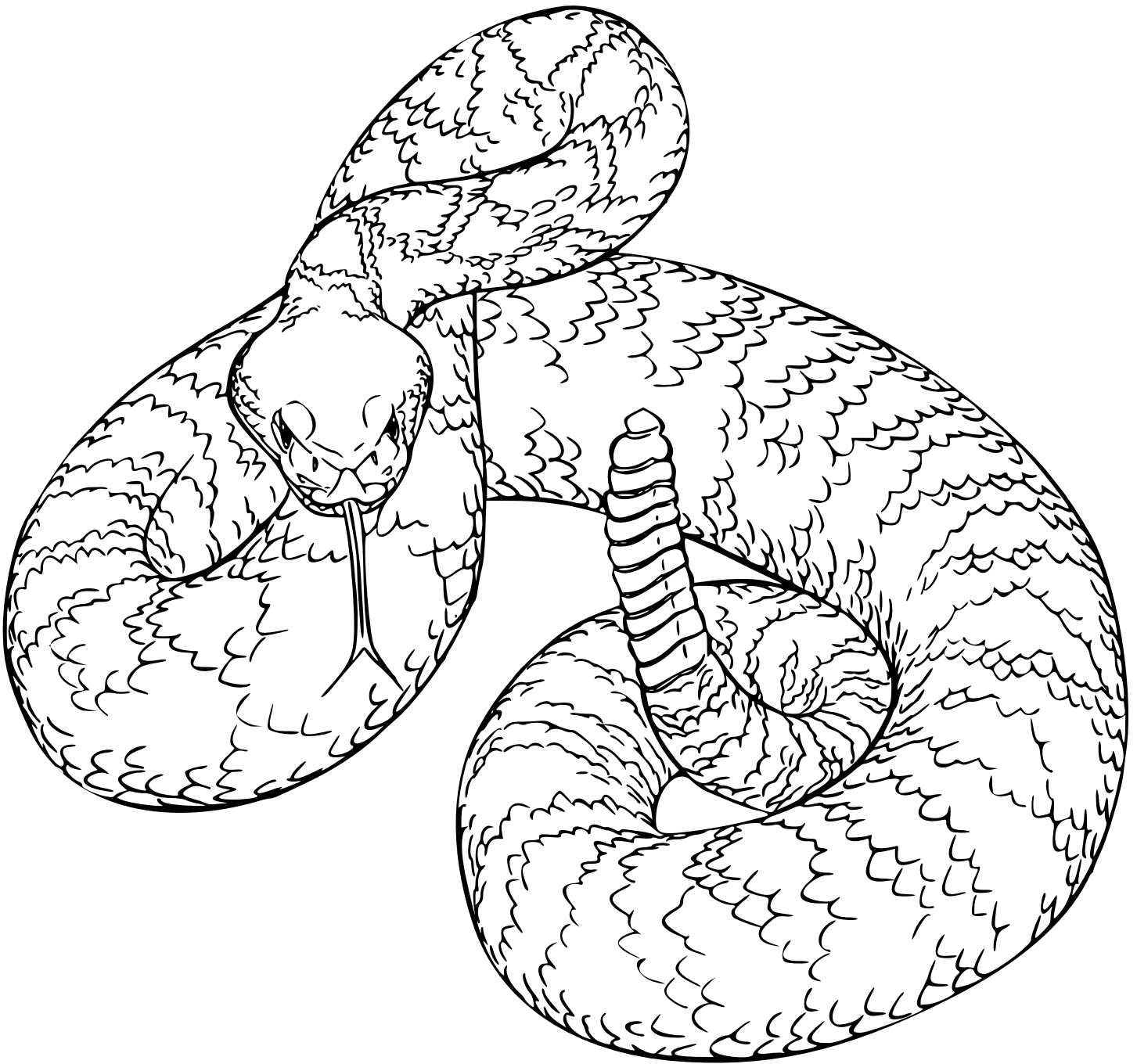
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# Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake

The eastern massasauga's rattle sounds like the buzzing of an insect!

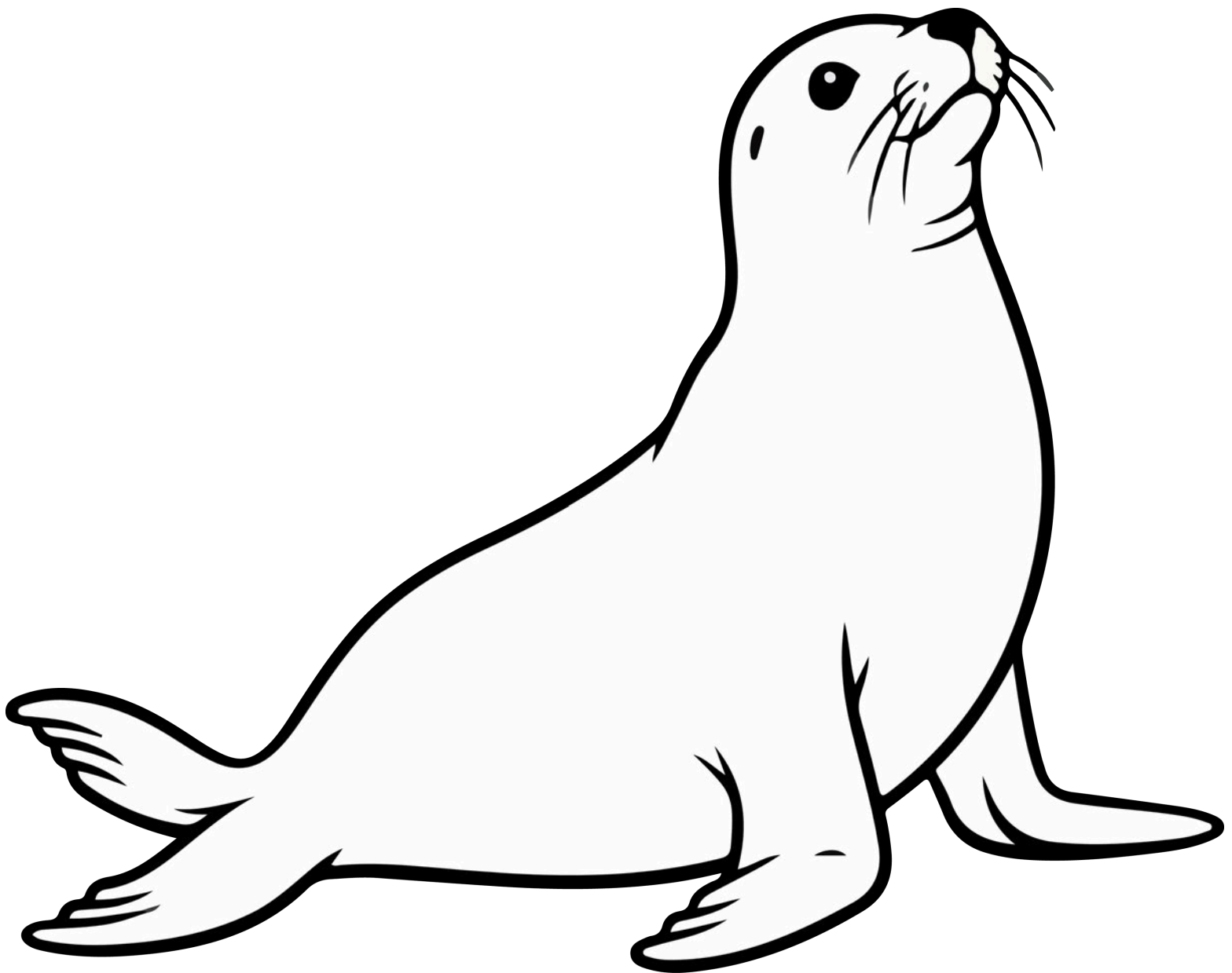
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# Galápagos Sea Lion

Galápagos sea lions are highly sociable and enjoy playing together.

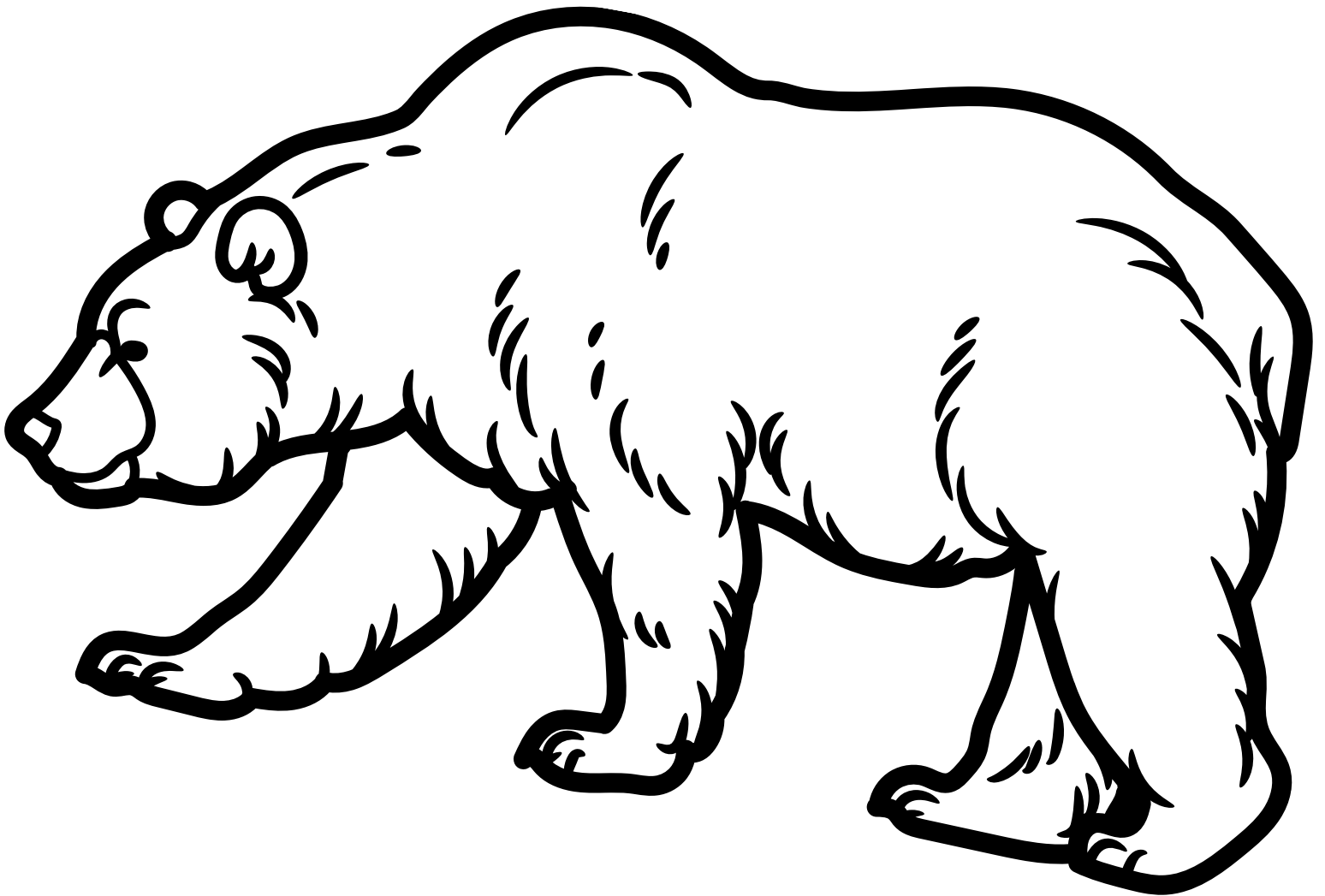
**Status:** *Endangered*, IUCN Red List



# Grizzly Bear

Grizzly bears can weigh upwards of 700 pounds!

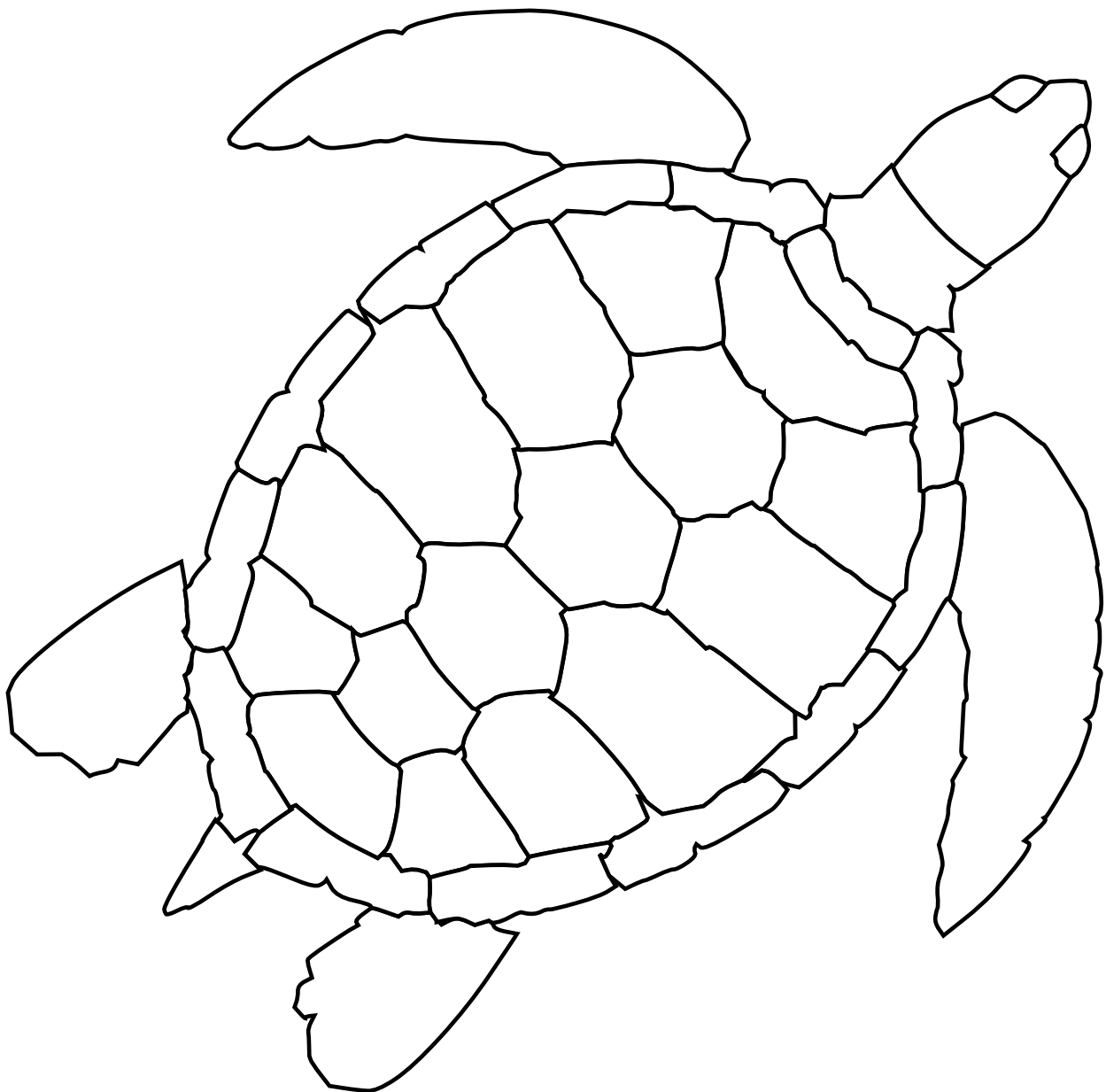
**Status:** *Threatened*, ESA



# Hawksbill Sea Turtle

Hawksbill hatchlings can't dive very deep, so they often find shelter in masses of sea plants and algal mats.

**Status:** *Endangered*, ESA; *Critically Endangered*, IUCN Red List

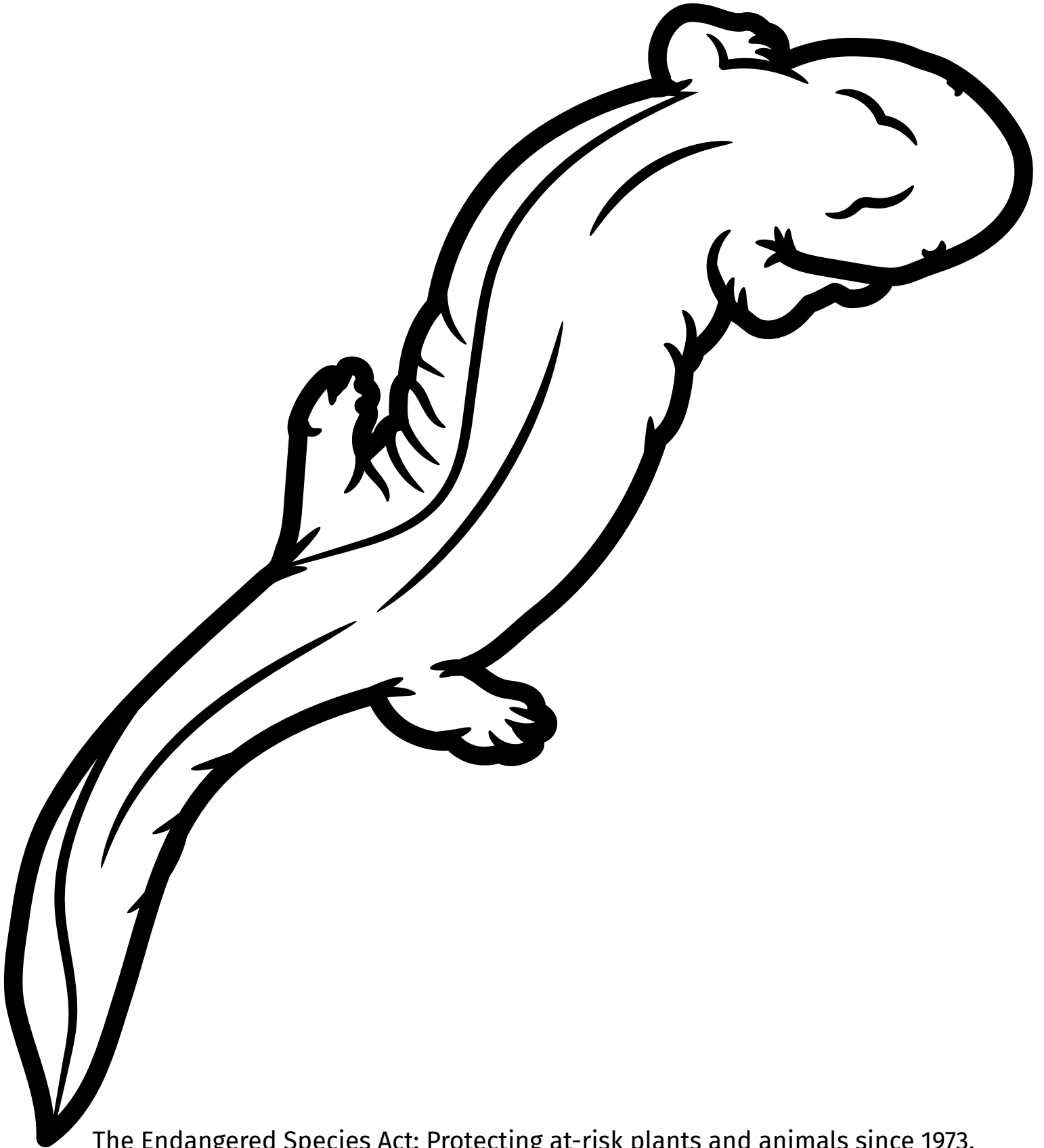


# Hellbender

Hellbenders are the largest salamander in the U.S., growing up to 2 feet long!

**Status:** *Endangered* (Ozark hellbender listed, eastern hellbender proposed listing) ESA;

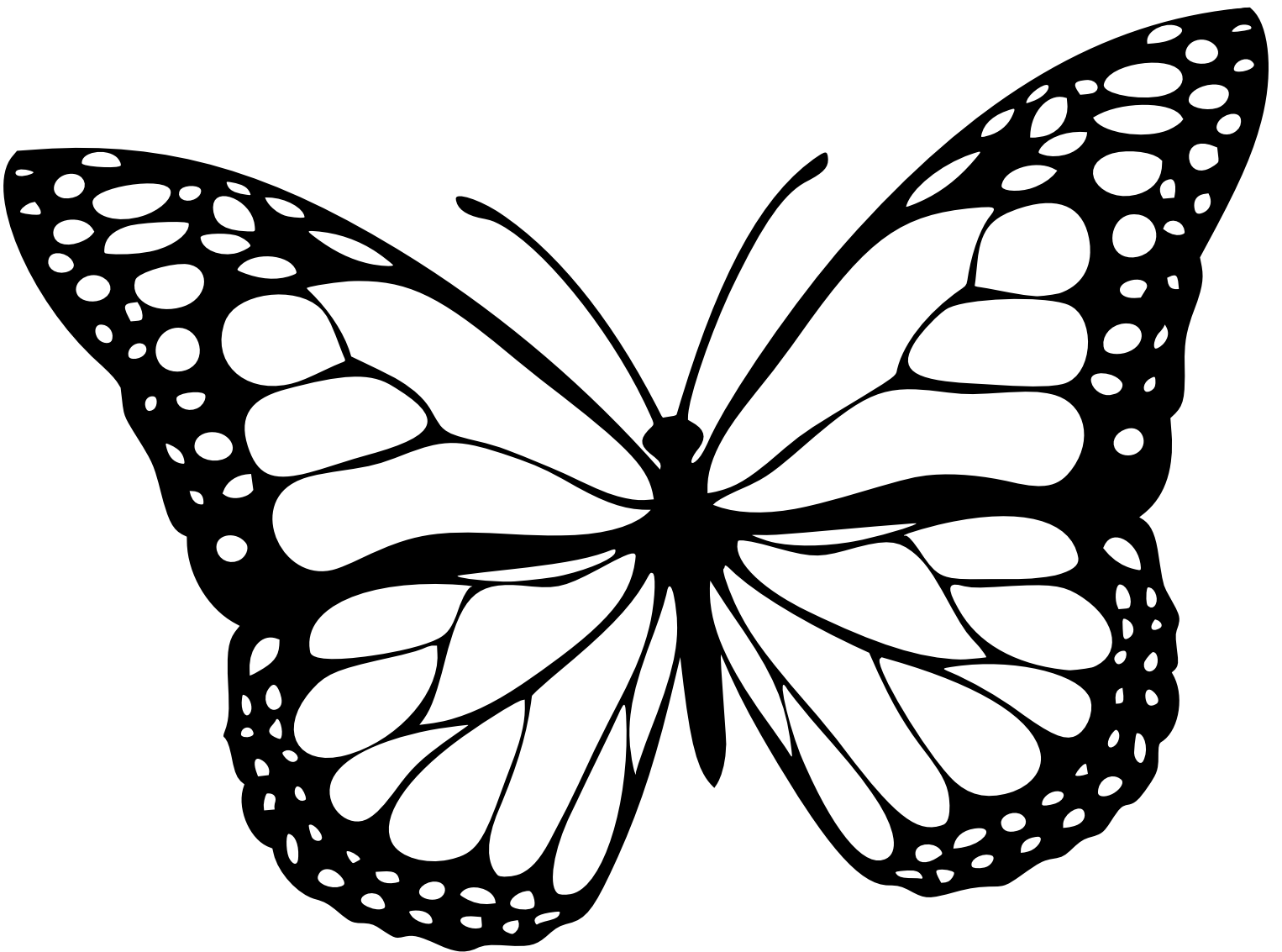
*Vulnerable*, IUCN Red List



# Monarch Butterfly

The monarch butterfly travels from the U.S. and Canada to Mexico every year!

**Status:** *Proposed Threatened*, USFWS December 2024



# Northern Long-Eared Bat

The northern long-eared bat has long ears that can reach past its nose!

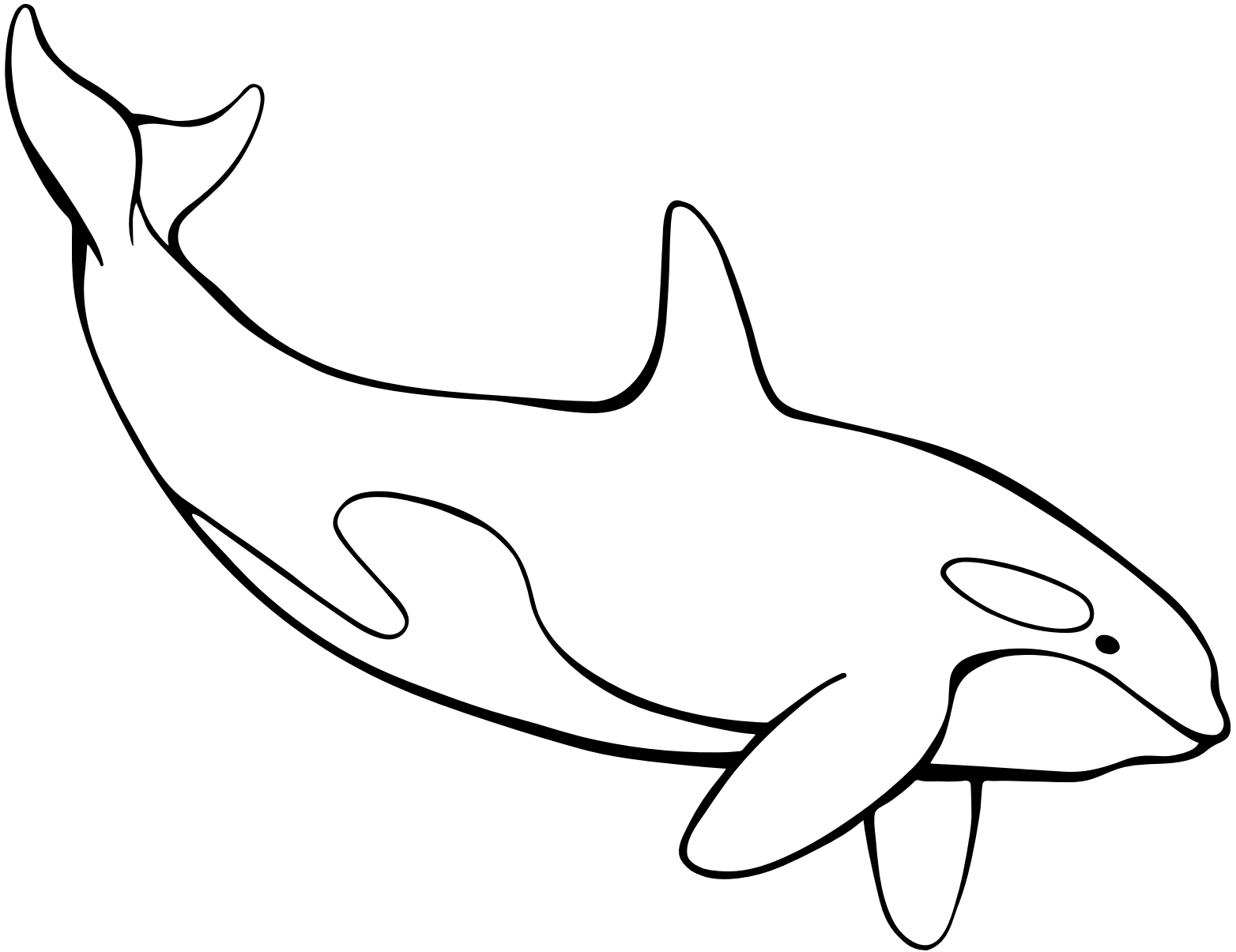
**Status:** *Endangered*, ESA



# Orca

Orcas can be found in every ocean in the world!

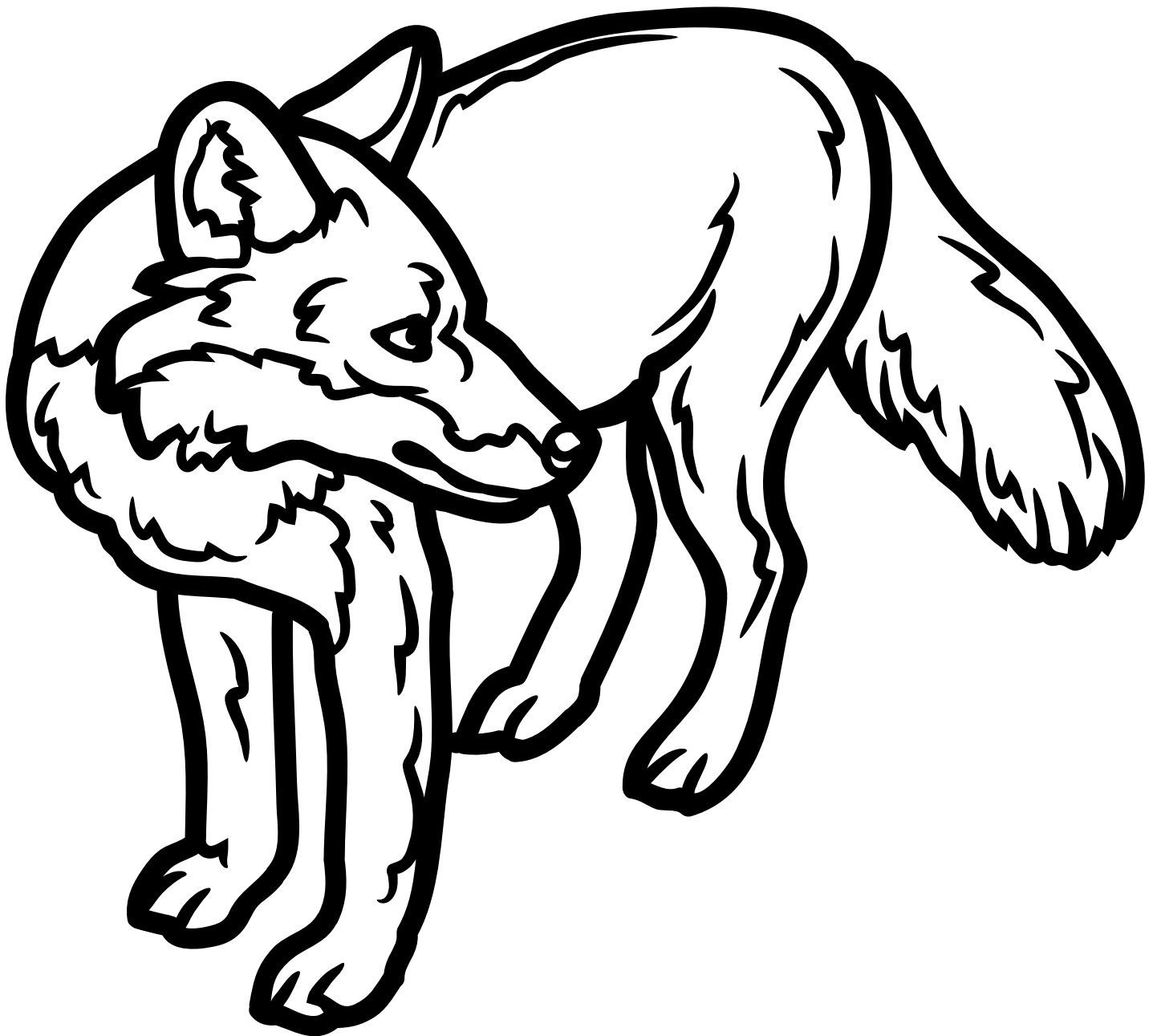
**Status:** *Endangered* (specific population: Southern Resident killer whale), ESA



# Red Wolf

The red wolf is the most endangered wolf in the world.

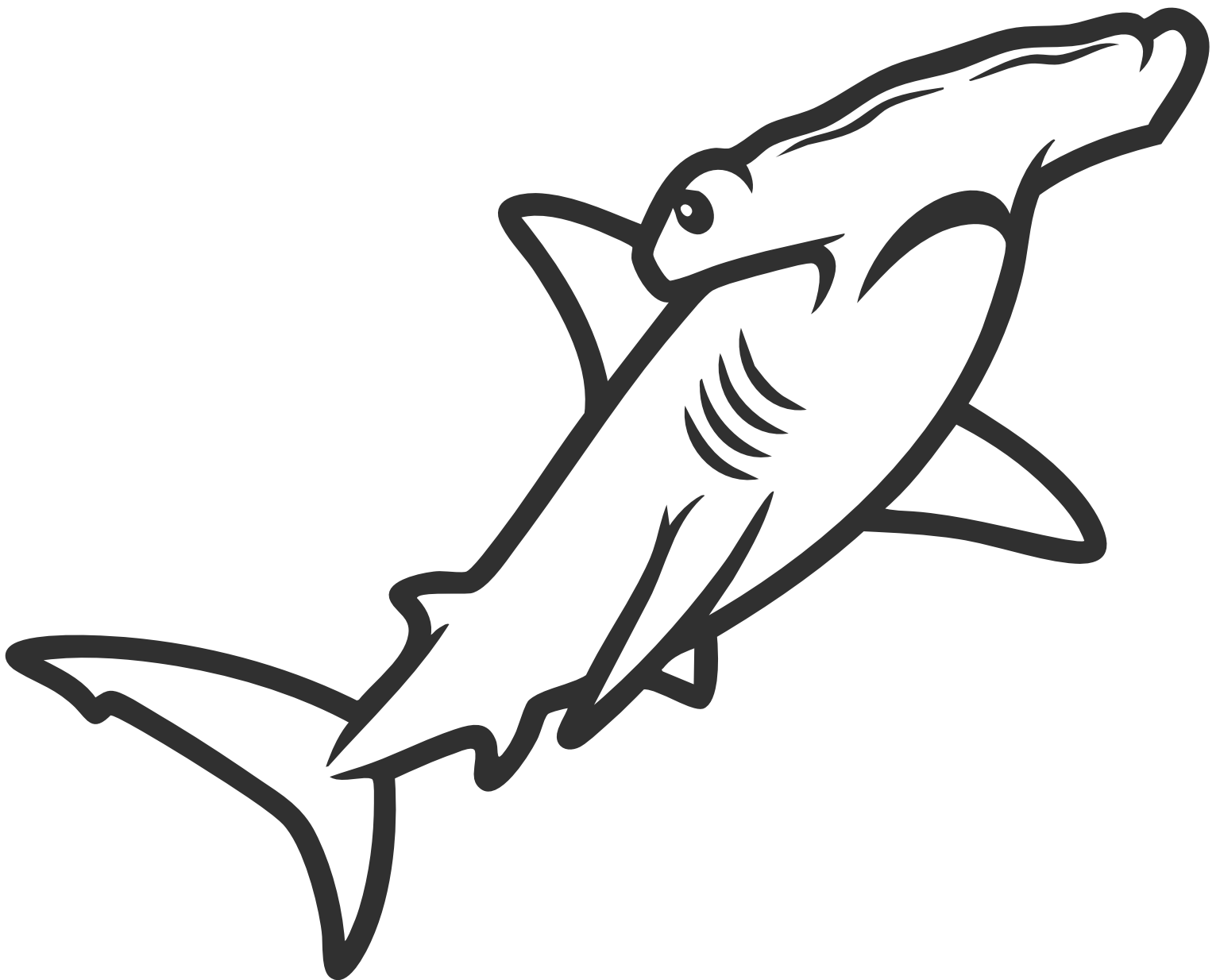
**Status:** *Endangered*, ESA; *Critically Endangered*, IUCN Red List



# Scalloped Hammerhead Shark

The scalloped hammerhead shark can live up to 30 years!

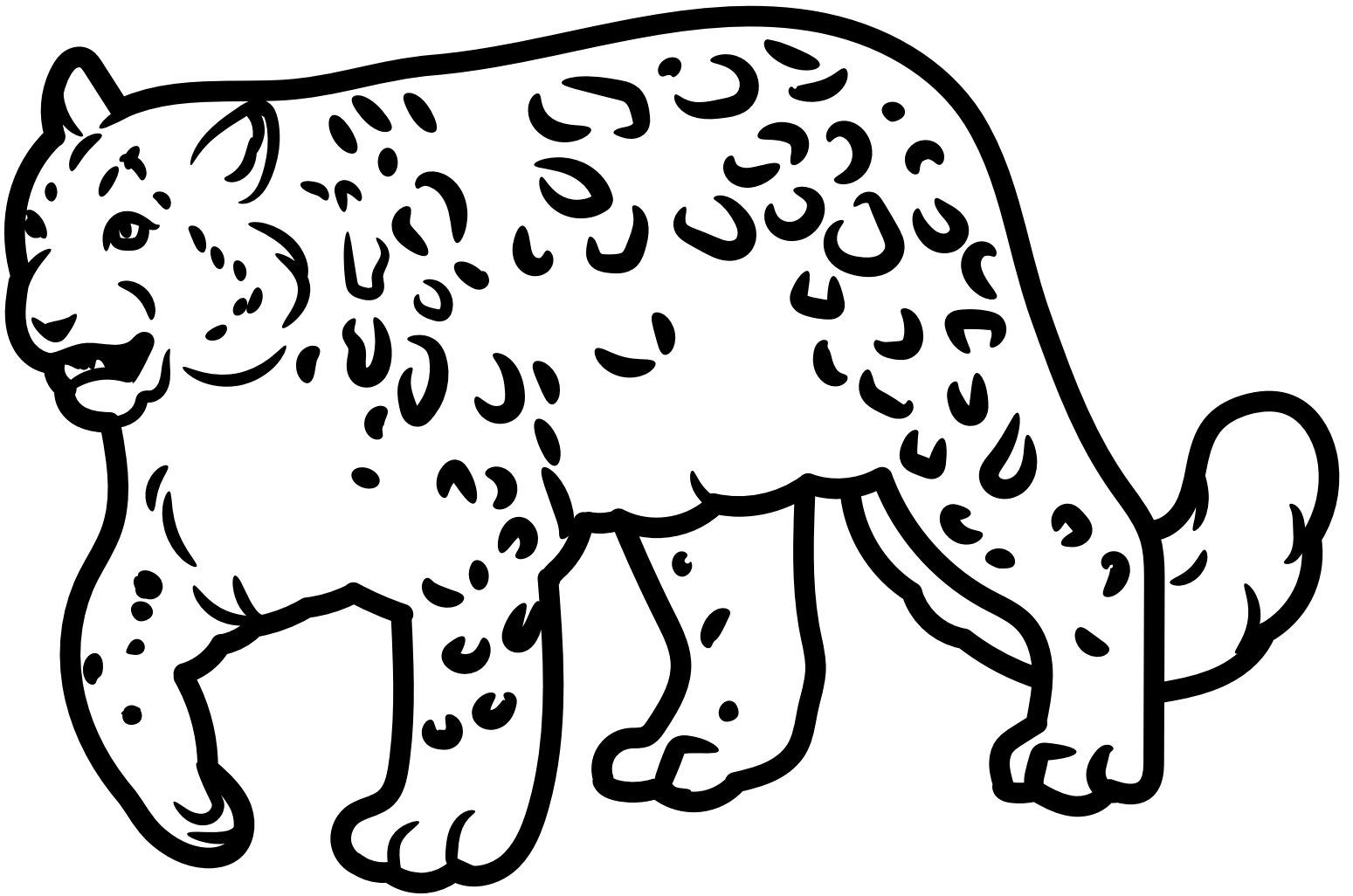
**Status:** *Endangered* (distinct population segments: Eastern Atlantic and Eastern Pacific), ESA;  
*Threatened* (distinct population segments: Indo-West Pacific and Central and Southwest Atlantic),  
ESA; *Critically Endangered*, IUCN Red List



# Snow Leopard

Snow leopards can live in mountains that are more than 19,000 feet high!

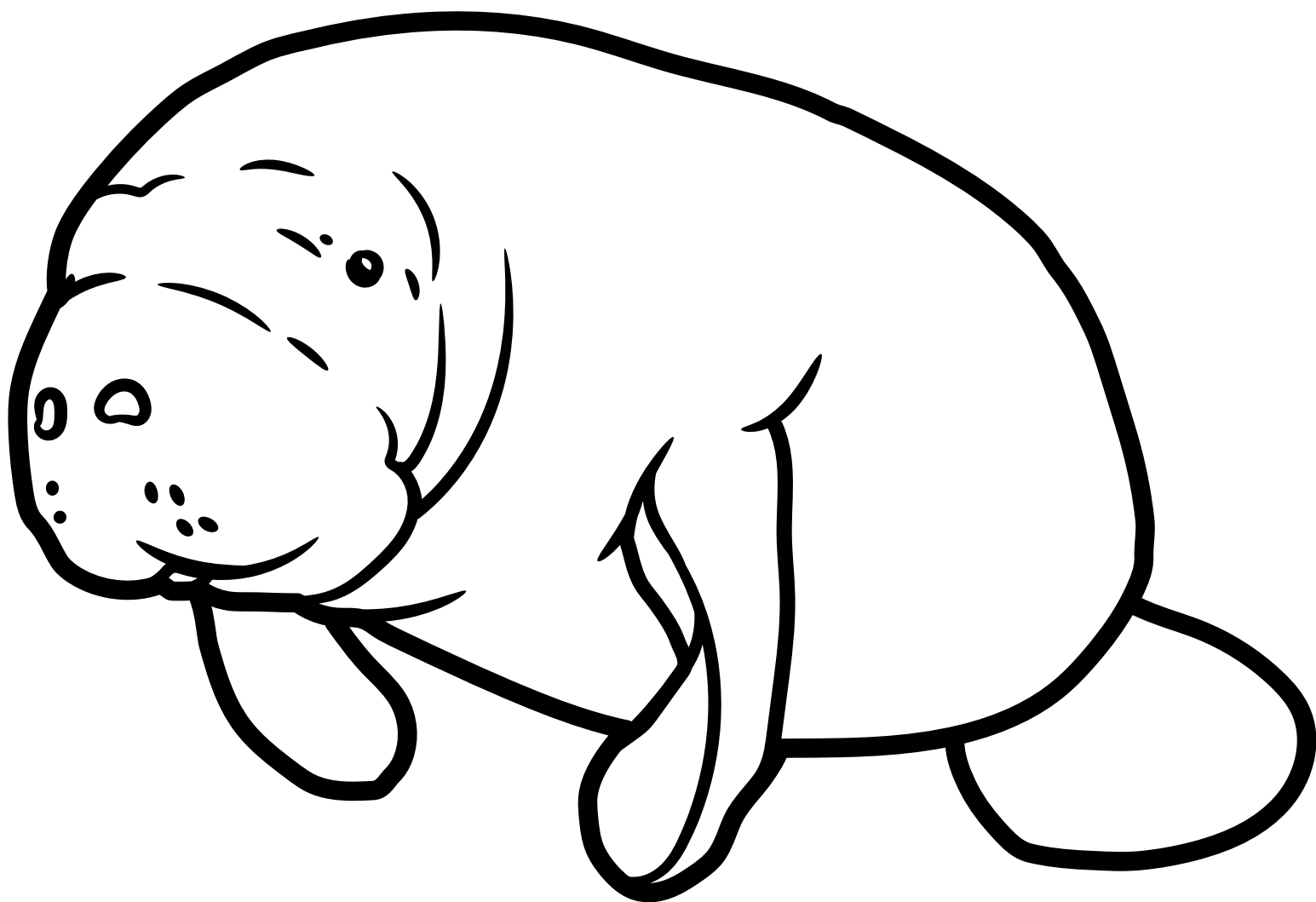
**Status:** *Vulnerable*, IUCN Red List



# West Indian Manatee

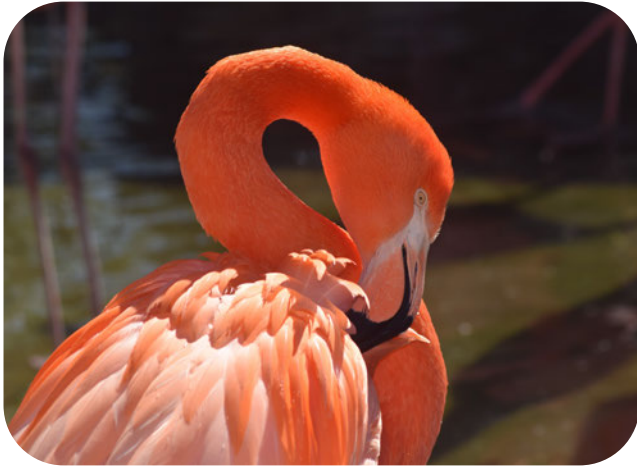
Manatees can hold their breath underwater for as long as 20 minutes!

**Status:** *Threatened*, ESA; *Vulnerable*, IUCN Red List



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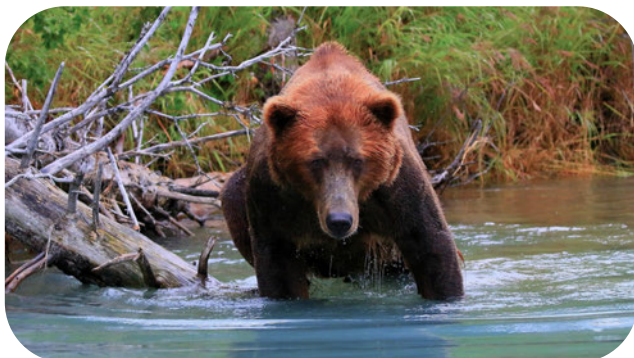
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Learn more about what species are threatened and endangered:

- [U.S. Fish and Wildlife Endangered Species List](#)
- [U.S. State Wildlife Action Plans](#)
- [IUCN Red List](#)

Learn more about the species in this coloring book:

- [NWF's Wildlife Guide](#)
- [U.S. Fish and Wildlife](#) (species search)
- [American flamingo](#)
- [Bald eagle](#)
- [Cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl](#)
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## Sources for wildlife fun facts:

- [Beach Bums](#) (Ranger Rick® magazine)
- [NWF's Wildlife Guide](#)
- [Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission](#)
- [IUCN Red List](#)
- [LG Spotlights the Majesty of the Grizzly Bear in Times Square](#) (NWF Blog)
- [Manatees: Mermaids of the Sea](#) (NWF Blog)
- [Monarchs: The Traveling Butterfly](#) (NWF Blog)
- [Protecting the Red Wolf: The Most Endangered Wolf in the World](#) (NWF Blog)
- [Smithsonian's National Zoo & Conservation Biology Institute](#)
- [U.S. Fish and Wildlife](#)

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