

White rhinoceros

The white rhinoceros has two spiked horns on its head.



Habitat - The white rhinoceros lives in the hot grasslands of Africa.

Size - The white rhinoceros is up to 2 metres tall at the shoulder and can weigh up to 2300 kilos. The longest ever known horn was over 1.5 metres long.

Appearance - The white rhinoceros has a thick grey skin and has two nose horns that are made from millions of hair-like fibres.

Diet - The white rhinoceros is a herbivore (plant eater). They graze on grass as they walk.

Young - The female white rhinoceros gives birth to a single calf after a pregnancy of sixteen months.

Interesting fact - The white rhinoceros is nocturnal and is most active at night, at sunrise and sunset. During the long hot day it lies in the mud or dust.