

CHAPMAN'S ZEBRA



Equus burchelli chapmani

STATUS

- Zebras are abundant in Eastern and Southern Africa.
- According to the IUCN, there are 3 species of Zebra, each with a different conservation status:
- Burchell's Zebra – Least concern
- Grevy's Zebra – Endangered
- Mountain Zebra – Extinct
- Chapman's Zebra is one of 5 living sub-species of Burchell's Zebra and it is classified by IUCN as Data Deficient – ie more information is needed to decide its conservation status.

ORIGIN

- Chapman's Zebra is found in 3 countries in Africa: Botswana, Mozambique and Zimbabwe

HABITAT

- Chapman's Zebra is found in habitat ranging from grassland to open woodland.
- The habitat will also include a nearby water source as this species needs to drink regularly.
- Chapman's Zebra is one of Africa's most successful herbivores.

SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

- The herds are nomadic and non-territorial.
- A system of rank exists within herds that is based on age.
- Bachelor herds of 3 to 6 are common. However most males are ready to start their own harem at 5 years of age.



DESCRIPTION

- Chapman's zebra is a large single hoofed animal.
- Each animal has individual unique coat patterns. Southern-most races have shadow stripes.
- The males are 10% larger than the females.
- The Chapman's Zebra has sharp senses, especially eyesight.