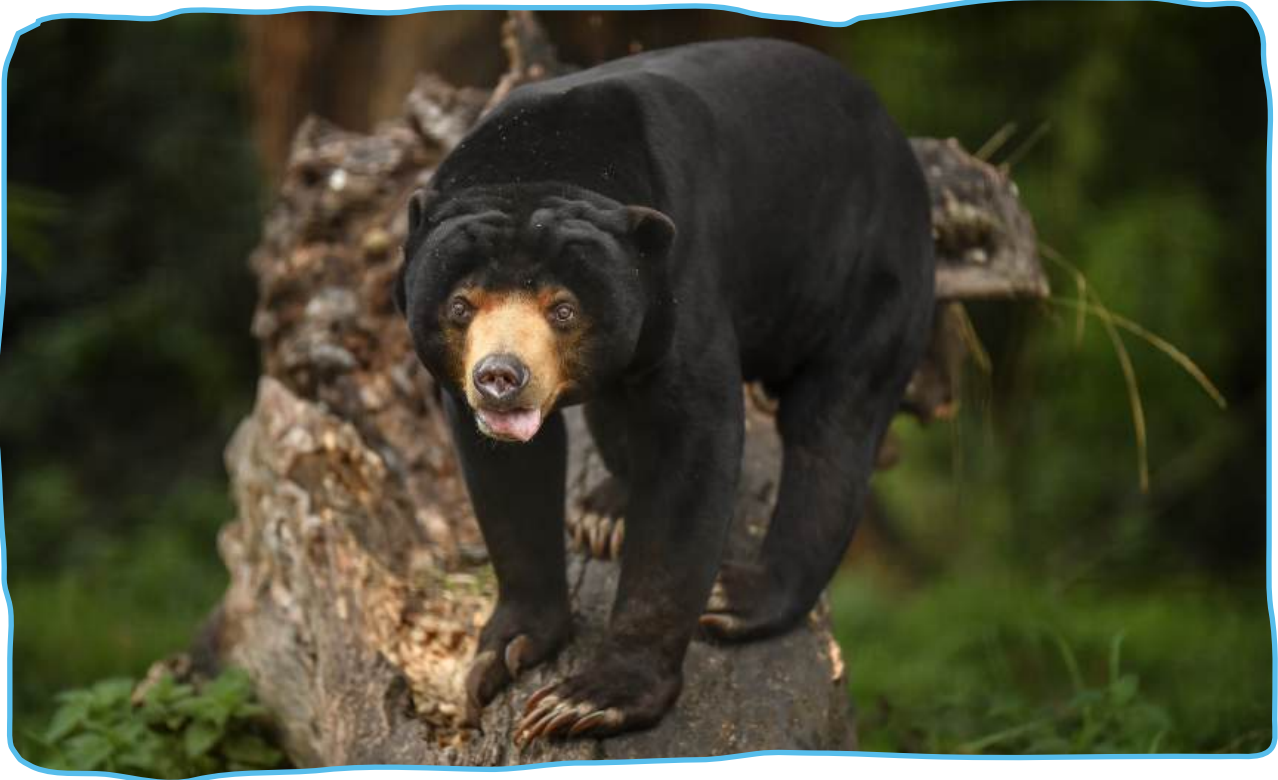


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A high risk of becoming Extinct in the Wild

Name	Malayan sun bear
Scientific Name	<i>Helarctos malayanus</i>
Threats (why they're at risk)	Deforestation and poaching for the illegal wildlife trade.
Distribution (where they live)	Found in Southeast Asia.
Habitat (what they live in)	They live in tropical rainforests.
Diet/Feeding strategy (what they eat and how they eat it)	Fruits, roots, insects, lizards and rodents. Strong claws rip open tree bark to expose termites. Their long tongues help them to reach ants, termites and honey.
Social behaviour (how they live)	Nocturnal and usually solitary, except for mothers with cubs.
Males and females	Males are slightly bigger than females.
Lifespan (how long they live for)	Up to 25 years.
Number of young (how many babies)	One or two cubs
Interesting fact	They're the smallest species of bear.