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Young like those of Malayan Tapir. Habits similar to Malayan Tapir.

S. American Tapirs:

All blackish-brown, 6' long, 3' at shoulder: Common species is Brazilian Tapir (*Tapirus terrestris*), habits and habitat similar to Malayan Tapir but more water-loving, chief enemies jaguar, alligators; Mountain Tapir (*T. roulini*), of Andes of Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, at 14,000'; Baird's Tapir (*T. bairdi*), Mexico to Panama, up to 6,000', has white on chest, throat, face; Dow's Tapir (*T. dowi*), of Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica. [Longevity, 9 yrs.]

Family RHINOCEROTIDAE

GREAT INDIAN RHINOCEROS (*Rhinoceros unicornis*)

General characters: 14' long, 6' 4" at shoulder, tail 2' 5", one horn up to 2', up to 4 tons wt., blackish-grey, skin granular, thrown into heavy folds, pair of broad incisors in upper jaw, pair of sharp-edged tusks in lower jaw.

Habits: Inoffensive, retiring, in spite of bulk. Largely solitary. Habitually visits mud wallows.

Habitat: Dense jungle or long grass.

Food: Vegetation, especially grass.

Breeding: Gestation 510-548 days, 1 young at birth, 2' at shoulder, 75-120 lb. wt.

Present status: Much reduced in numbers, protected.

Range: Nepal, N. Bengal, Assam.

Longevity: 47 yrs.

Other statistics: Temp. 100°F. (37.6°C.)

Javan Rhinoceros (*R. sondaicus*): formerly ranged from Bengal, Burma, Siam, Indo-China to Sumatra and Java, now extinct over most of range, last census (1937) showed 66 individuals; smaller than Indian Rhinoceros, single horn (in males only) 5½' long, skin smooth, deep folds, 5½' at shoulder, ton or more wt.

Sumatran Rhinoceros (*R. sumatrensis*): in small numbers Assam, Burma, Malaya, Sumatra, Borneo, becoming rarer, in hilly jungles, 4½' at shoulder, 1 ton wt., short hairy coat, 2 horns, anterior horn larger, up to 20" long. [Gestation 510-550 days.]

BLACK OR HOOK-LIPPED RHINOCEROS, SWARTRENOSTER

(*Diceros bicornis*)

General characters: 12' long, 5½' at shoulder, 2 tons wt., 2 horns anterior horn up to 53½" (average 20"), muzzle pointed,

upper lip prehensile, hide dark grey, lacks incisors in both jaws.

Habits: Solitary, aggressive, when alarmed charges upwind.

Habitat: Thickly-bushed country.

Food: Leaves, twigs, herbage generally.

Breeding: Mating at any time of year, gestation 485-548 days, 1 young, 75 lb. wt., weaned at 2 yrs.

Present status: Numbers reduced but still common in parts of range.

Range: From L. Chad and W. of Nile southwards, but becoming rare S. Africa.

Longevity: 50 yrs.

WHITE OR SQUARE-LIPPED RHINOCEROS, WITRENOSTER (*Diceros simus*)

General characters: 14½' long, 6½' at shoulder, 3-4 tons wt., 2-horned, anterior horn up to 62½", muzzle square, hide slate-grey, lacks incisors in both jaws.

Habits: Solitary, inoffensive unless provoked.

Habitat: Open plains.

Food: Grass.

Breeding: Gestation 548-578 days, 1 young at birth, mature 5 yrs., may be 3 young with cow (i.e. nearly mature, ½-grown, newly born).

Present status and range: Typical race now only in reserves in Zululand; subspecies *cottoni* more numerous Uganda, S. Sudan, parts of Congo.

Longevity: No information.