



# Lion

## General statement

The Lion is one of the four biggest cats. A member of the family Felidae. They weigh 250kg and are the second largest living cat after the Tiger. Lions live for ten to fourteen years in the wild, while in the zoo they live longer than twenty years.

## Species:

There are 6 types of lions, the African Lion, Asiatic Lion, American Lion, Outran Lion, Cave Lion and the White Lion.

## Diet

Lions are carnivores, (a carnivore is a mammal that eats meat). They eat medium to large Zebras, Wildebeest, Warthogs and Waterbuck. They stay away from adult Rhinos, Hippos, Elephants and Giraffes. Males hunt for large pray. Where his size and strength is required to bring the pray down. Males hunt during their bachelor stages. The lioness do most of the hunting.

## Habitat

Lions are mostly found in southern and eastern Africa. They are in open woodland areas, in thick bushes, srcubs, and tall grassy areas, in the wild and in forests. They survive very hot climates.

## Predators

Humans are the worst predators because they kill them to get their fur. Rhinos, hippos, elephants, giraffes, Brown bear, Grizzly bear and the Black bear will go and kill the lions because the lions will try to kill them to eat.

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