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Scientific Name: *Lepidosiren paradoxa*

Family: Lepidosirenidae

Common Name: South American lungfish

Physical Characteristics:

South American lungfish have elongated, eel-like bodies with long dorsal and anal fins. They have small pectoral and pelvic fins and lack accurate scales. Their colouration varies but is typically dark brown or greyish, helping them blend into their muddy habitats.

Geographical Distribution:

Native Range: Parana River Basin and Amazon River Basin.

Economic Importance:

It plays a role in local ecosystems as a predator and prey species. Conservation efforts should focus on preserving its freshwater habitats and implementing sustainable management practices to safeguard its wild populations.



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