

Report on a Manatee

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Manatees are gentle creatures and very, very graceful. They were a bit endangered but the ones that survived are now roaming free in rivers and seas. They usually live near the coast and mainly live in the Amazon River and the other part is West India.

Their Appearance

Manatees are blubbery, have an egg shaped head, a flat tail and flippers. The flippers are to one fascinatingly run across the bottom of a river and two glide through the water. Their tail is to paddle through the water.

What They Eat

They eat algae, seaweed, sea grass and Mangrove leaves. Manatees are responsible for recycling of nutrients between the water and the substrate mud sand and rock. Also young Manatees rely on their mother's milk in order for survival.

Manatees Mouth

Manatees have only flat molars that are why they are herbivores and eat only herbs and greens.

One Amazing fact about Manatees

Did you know? Manatees can weigh up to 590kg.