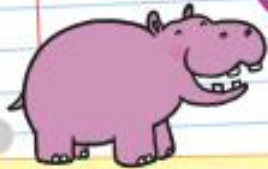


# Hippopotamus



## Did you know?

Baby hippos are born underwater. They can swim almost from the moment they are born!



Hippopotamuses live in rivers and lakes in central and southern Africa.

A group of hippos is led by one large male. The other members are all females and young hippos. The leader of the group fights off any rivals to keep control of his mating territory.



Hippopotamuses spend most of the day in the water to keep cool in the hot, tropical climate.

The hippo's nose, ears and eyes are on top of its head and they stick out above the water, allowing them to breathe, see, and hear while their body is submerged.