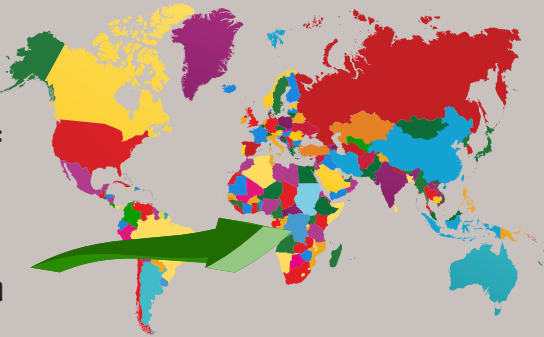


Congo Clawless Otter

Aonyx congicus

WHERE DO CONGO CLAWLESS OTTERS LIVE?

They live in the rainforests of the Congo Basin in swampy areas. They are thought to spend more time on land than other otters.



Larger than other clawless otters

Shorter, thinner fur than other otters



CONGO CLAWLESS OTTERS ARE **NEAR THREATENED!**

They are a species which are thought to be *decreasing*.



Habitat loss due to human activity.

The Congo is very remote so hunting is less of a problem.

Predators include leopards and snakes.



DID YOU KNOW?

Not much is known about these otters! They are elusive and live in swamps and small rivers



Silver tipped fur around the face and neck with dark patches between eyes and nostrils

Unwebbed and hairless front paws

Fingers to take shells off snails

Partial webbing on back paws

WHAT DO CONGO CLAWLESS OTTERS EAT?

It uses its very agile fingers to find its favourite food in the mud: worms and snails