New! South American Wildlife WILD AND WONDERFUL FASCINATING FASCINATING FACTS

- Giant anteaters can shoot out their tongue up to 24 inches over two and half times a second to rapidly catch up the 30,000 insects they must eat each day!
- Giant anteaters can unleash deadly force with their 4" long claws. Even jaguars have paid with their lives by underestimating these slow-moving creatures.
- When giant anteaters sleep, they often use their tail like a blanket, which camouflages them and keeps them warmer.
- Cotton-top tamarins sleep in late to avoid some predators that are active around dawn and dusk and at night. These small monkeys wait over an hour after sunrise to start foraging and carefully select a sleeping tree well before sunset.
- While most tortoises eat only plants, the red-footed tortoise also consumes the meat of deer, wild pigs, birds, and snakes. But having neither the speed nor teeth required to hunt, they scavenge these meaty meals - or eat snails and insects they can catch.
- W Two-toed sloths are built to live upside down complete with vise-like claws that retain their grip even after death.
- W Two-toed sloths move at just 6.5 feet a minute. They are hunted by the harpy eagle, a bird with grizzly bear-sized claws that can fly 10 times that far in a second. The sloth's slow lifestyle and grooved hair also allows algae to grow on them which helps hide them from predators like the eagle.

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