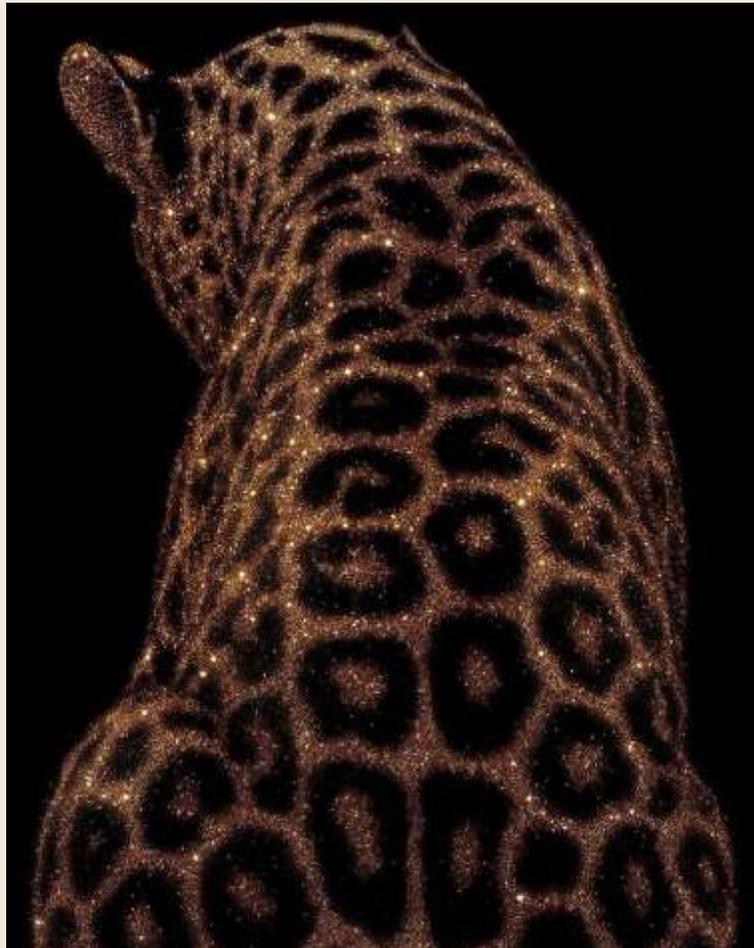


The LEOPARD

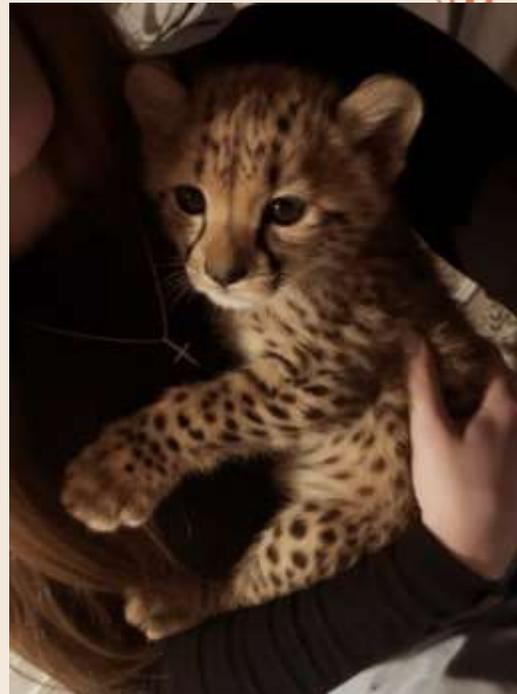


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What does a leopard eat ??

- A leopard eats birds, insects, reptiles and small animals like lizards
- Most of the times they eat in trees or on the ground.



Where do you *find leopards*??

They live in the wild , in Africa:

Kenya - Maasai Mara, Samburu, Tsavo. Tanzania - Serengeti, Ngorongoro, Ruaha, Selous (Nyerere) Uganda - Queen Elizabeth National Park. Rwanda - Akagera National Park. Ethiopia - Bale Mountains, Awash

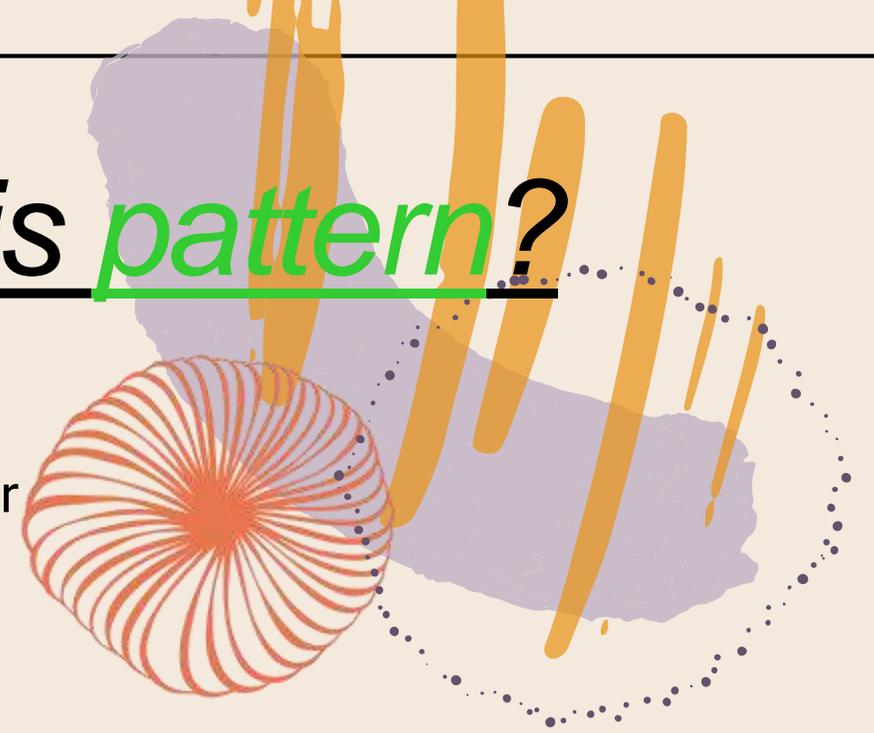
South Africa - Kruger National Park, Sabi Sands (world-class leopard sightings) Botswana - Okavango Delta, Chobe, Namibia - Etosha, especially along riverbeds. Zimbabwe - Hwange, Mana Pools, Zambia - South Luangwa

Senegal - Niokolo-Koba National Park. Benin, Burkina Faso



Why do *leopards* have this *pattern*?

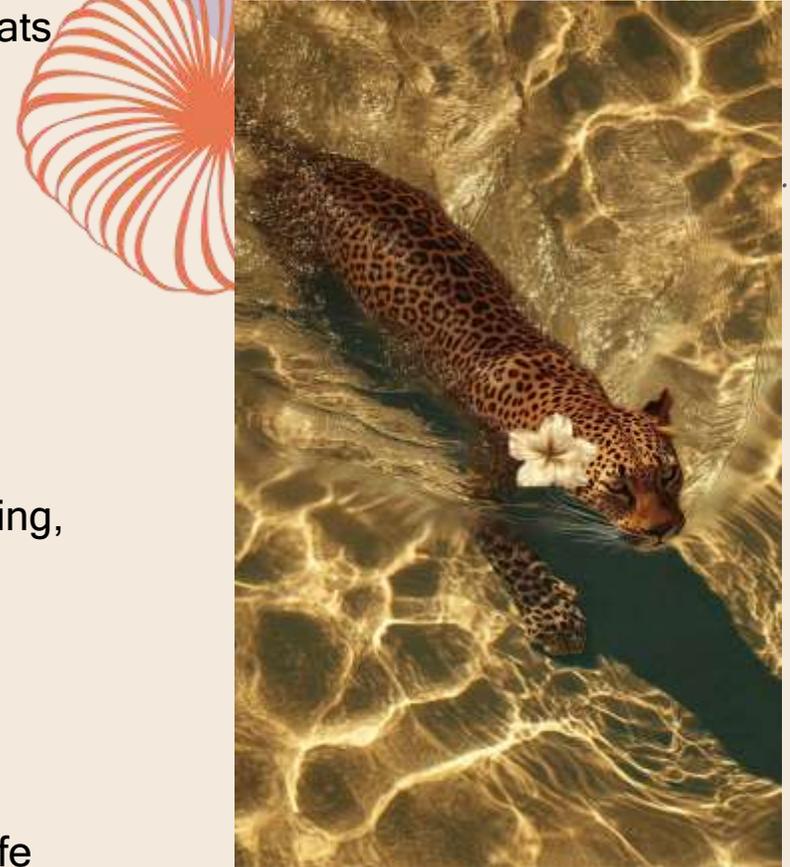
- 1. Camouflage, perfected Leopards live in places with dappled light: trees, bushes, tall grass, rocky shadows. Their rosette pattern: Breaks up the outline of their body. Mimics patches of light and shadow. Makes them nearly invisible when they're still
- 2. Evolution picked what worked: Leopards with better camouflage caught more prey. They survived longer and had more cubs. The rosette pattern spread through the population



Can you have a leopard as a pet?

No because:

- Behavior: not domesticated. Leopards are wild predators, not just “big cats with attitude.”. They keep their hunting instincts their entire lives. Even a hand-raised leopard can suddenly see a human as prey. Many serious attacks happen with animals that were “raised lovingly”
- their needs: impossible to meet at home. A leopard needs: Miles of territory, Constant mental stimulation, Live or whole prey, Complex climbing, hiding, and hunting opportunities
- Ethical reality: Loving leopards means: Protecting them in the wild, Supporting conservation and sanctuaries, Admiring them from a safe and respectful distance



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