

# Genetta thierryi, Hausa Genet

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### **Taxonomy**

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Mammalia	Carnivora	Viverridae

Taxon Name: Genetta thierryi Matschie, 1902

#### Common Name(s):

English: Hausa GenetFrench: Genette de Villiers

## **Assessment Information**

Red List Category & Criteria: Least Concern ver 3.1

Year Published: 2015

**Date Assessed:** February 28, 2015

#### Justification:

Hausa Genet is listed as Least Concern because the species has a relatively wide distribution range in West Africa, occurs in a variety of habitats, and is not believed to be declining at a rate fast enough to warrant listing in a higher category of threat. However, with the availability of further information, specifically on the adaptability of this species to disturbed habitats, and given the impact of hunting, this species may require reassessment.

#### **Previously Published Red List Assessments**

2008 - Least Concern (LC) - http://dx.doi.org/10.2305/IUCN.UK.2008.RLTS.T41701A10534027.en

1996 – Lower Risk/least concern (LR/Ic)

## **Geographic Range**

#### Range Description:

Hausa Genet is endemic to Africa, where it is sparsely distributed from Gambia and Guinea-Bissau to Cameroon. The easterly limit of its distribution requires clarification (Gaubert and Dunham 2013).

#### **Country Occurrence:**

**Native:** Benin; Burkina Faso; Cameroon; Côte d'Ivoire; Gambia; Ghana; Guinea-Bissau; Mali; Niger; Nigeria; Senegal; Sierra Leone; Togo

# **Distribution Map**



## **Population**

This species is rare, but possibly common in some areas (Gaubert and Dunham 2013). Hoppe-Dominik (1990) stated that the species was widespread throughout its range, but provided no evidence.

**Current Population Trend:** Unknown

### Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

This genet inhabits moist and dry savannas with open woodlands. However, individuals have been collected and sighted also in moist woodlands (Guinea-Bissau), rainforest (Sierra Leone, Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire) and dry wooded steppes (Senegal; Gaubert and Dunham 2013).

**Systems:** Terrestrial

#### **Use and Trade**

This species is hunted and used as bushmeat.

### Threats (see Appendix for additional information)

There are no known major threats to this species. However, it has been reported from bushmeat markets throughout its range, and the possible impact of this is unknown. In the past, there has also been some international traffic for their skins or as pets, although there is no record of this species (or any other genet) in commercial trade reported to CITES for the period 1995–2005 (Gaubert and Dunham 2013).

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### **Conservation Actions** (see Appendix for additional information)

The species is present in several protected areas across its range.

#### **Credits**

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# **Appendix**

### **Habitats**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
1. Forest -> 1.6. Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Moist Lowland	-	Suitable	-
2. Savanna -> 2.1. Savanna - Dry	-	Suitable	-
2. Savanna -> 2.2. Savanna - Moist	-	Suitable	-
3. Shrubland -> 3.5. Shrubland - Subtropical/Tropical Dry	-	Suitable	-

### **Threats**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Threat	Timing	Scope	Severity	Impact Score
5. Biological resource use -> 5.1. Hunting & trapping terrestrial animals -> 5.1.1. Intentional use (species is the target)	Ongoing	Whole (>90%)	Unknown	Unknown
	Stresses:	2. Species Stress	es -> 2.1. Species i	mortality

# **Conservation Actions in Place**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Conservation Actions in Place	
In-Place	e Land/Water Protection and Management
Occu	ur in at least one PA: Yes

## **Research Needed**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Research Needed	
1. Research -> 1.5. Threats	
3. Monitoring -> 3.1. Population trends	
3. Monitoring -> 3.2. Harvest level trends	

# **Additional Data Fields**

Population
Population severely fragmented: No
Habitats and Ecology
Generation Length (years): 4

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