



# South China Tiger

*Panthera tigris amoyensis*  
(functionally extinct)

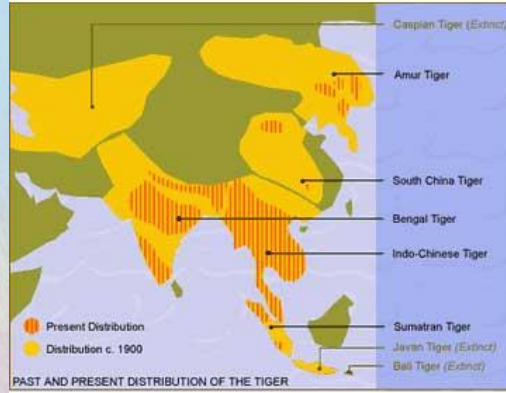
**Captivity is the only home we have left!**

## Conservation Status

The South China tiger has not been seen in the wild in 25 years and there are currently less than 200 individuals in captivity. These tigers are functionally extinct due to habitat destruction and being over hunted. Scientists are still hoping to save this species. They are researching the genetics of living individuals and conducting studies to see if cubs born in captivity can learn to hunt wild prey.

## Interesting Fact

South China tigers are thought to be the subspecies that the other five living subspecies descended from.  
(all six subspecies are endangered, and pictured to the right)



## Physical Traits

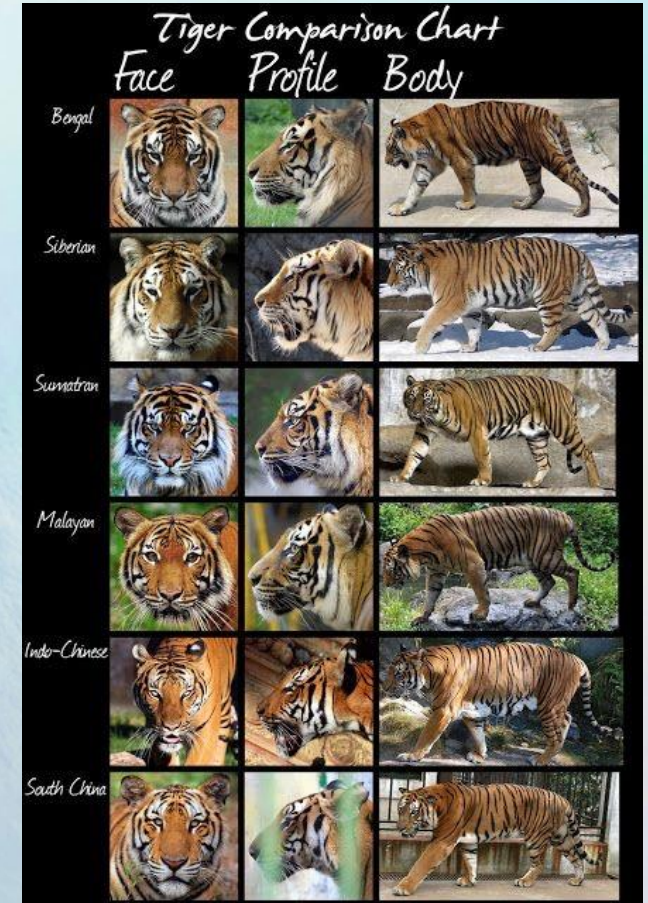
- Males larger than females
- Weight: Males 287-386 pounds  
Females 220-254 pounds
- Height: Males 91-104 inches  
Females 87-94 inches

For more  
information on  
saving the South  
China tiger scan  
this QR code:



**can you spot the differences in these tigers?**

(Legend located on bottom in white.)



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Compared to other tigers, South China tigers have slightly smaller heads and teeth with narrower stripes. Their coloring is lighter yellow-orange with paler faces, paws, and stomach.

**Audience:** The intended audience of this article is a lay audience. This is an exhibit label for a zoo. It is intended to target people with a broad age range and education. It's mostly targeted toward around high schoolers and older. It is assumed that zoo visitors have general knowledge about animals and have, at least, a minimal interest and care for them.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this exhibit label is to inform zoo guest that pass the enclosure about some general information and the serious threat of extinction to this and the other subspecies of tigers. It is to convince the reader to care and give them information on where they can go and what they can do to help.

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