# Nile Crocodile

The Nile crocodile is the largest and most common crocodile found in Africa.

They can live up to 100 years.

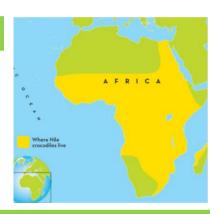


## What do they look like?

Nile crocodiles can grow to about five metres long. Their skin is brown and scaly which keeps them camouflaged. To help them swim, they have long, narrow bodies and webbed feet.

## Where do they live?

Nile crocodiles are found in many parts of Africa and live near rivers, lakes and swamps. They spend most of their time in the water, but breathe air just like us.



### What do they eat?

Crocodiles are carnivores so they eat other animals. They have excellent night vision, a strong sense of smell and sharp teeth to help them catch their prey. Nile crocodiles mainly eat fish but will also attack zebras, birds and even other crocodiles. Crocodiles have the strongest bite in the animal kingdom because of their powerful jaw muscles.



### Did you know?

Young crocodiles hatch from eggs and stay close to their mother for a few years so she can protect them from harm.