



### **Conservation Status**

[IUCN Red Data List](#)

### **Where found**

#### **Bonobo (*Pan paniscus*)**

The bonobos are found only in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) in the heart of the Congo Basin Forest in the Salonga National Park.

### **Habitat**

Primary lowland forest, open woodland savanna, dry forest, swamp forest, marsh grassland, and disturbed secondary forest.

### **Diet**

Primarily fruit, but also leaves, pith, flowers, seeds, nuts, sprouts, mushrooms and algae. They will also eat earthworms, larvae, termites, ants, honey, truffles, aquatic plants, invertebrates and fish.

### **Numbers surviving**

Most published estimate put their numbers at approximately 15,000.

### **Threats**

Hunting for food and for the bush meat trade, and deforestation.

### **Organisations involved in their conservation**

[Bonobo Conservation Initiative](#)

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