



## Coatimundi



### HEALTH

Length: 13-27" long

(tail length: up to half of total length)

Weight: 7-15 lbs.

Lifespan: 10-15 years in captivity



### OVERVIEW

Coatimundi have long, pointed muzzles, and long, bushy, ringed tails, and brownish fur. They range in size from 13 to 27 inches (330 mm to 690 mm) including their tails, which can be just as long as their bodies. They weigh from 7 to 15 pounds (3 kg to 7 kg). Males are larger than females.

Coatimundi are diurnal and spend most of the day foraging for food. They are omnivores and eat both meat and plants. They eat small prey like lizards, insects, rodents, snails, and small birds, as well as fruit and nuts. They often eat while hanging upside down from a tree branch. A coati finds food using its keen sense of smell.

Coatimundi breed once a year in late spring to coincide with the start of the rainy season (the period of maximum available vegetation) to avoid aggressive behavior in males.

They weigh 3.5-9 ounces at birth and open their eyes after approximately a week and a half, and are normally weaned after approximately four months.