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Name	Atlas moth
Scientific Name	<i>Attacus atlas</i>
Threats (why they're at risk)	Sometimes harvested for silk.
Distribution (where they live)	Southeast Asia and China.
Habitat (what they live in)	Tropical and subtropical forest.
Diet/Feeding strategy (what they eat and how they eat it)	Leaves and vegetation. They only eat during caterpillar phase.
Social behaviour (how they live)	Solitary, with the exception of mating.
Males and females	Males have large feathered antennas and are smaller than females.
Lifespan (how long they live for)	Up to 2 weeks as an adult moth.
Number of young (how many babies)	Around 200-300 eggs are laid.
Interesting fact	One of the largest moths in the world (16-30cm). They have no mouthparts and have to survive on energy gained as a caterpillar.