



## *Trioceros chapini*, Chapin's Chameleon

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## Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Reptilia	Squamata	Chamaeleonidae

**Taxon Name:** *Trioceros chapini* (De Witte, 1964)

**Synonym(s):**

- *Chamaeleo chapini* De Witte, 1964

**Common Name(s):**

- English: Chapin's Chameleon, Gray Chameleon
- French: Caméléon de Chapin

## Assessment Information

**Red List Category & Criteria:** Least Concern [ver 3.1](#)

**Year Published:** 2013

**Date Assessed:** June 30, 2009

**Justification:**

*Trioceros chapini* has been assessed as Least Concern in view of its large distribution and apparent lack of major widespread threats. Further research should be carried out as the full extent of its distribution is not yet known.

## Geographic Range

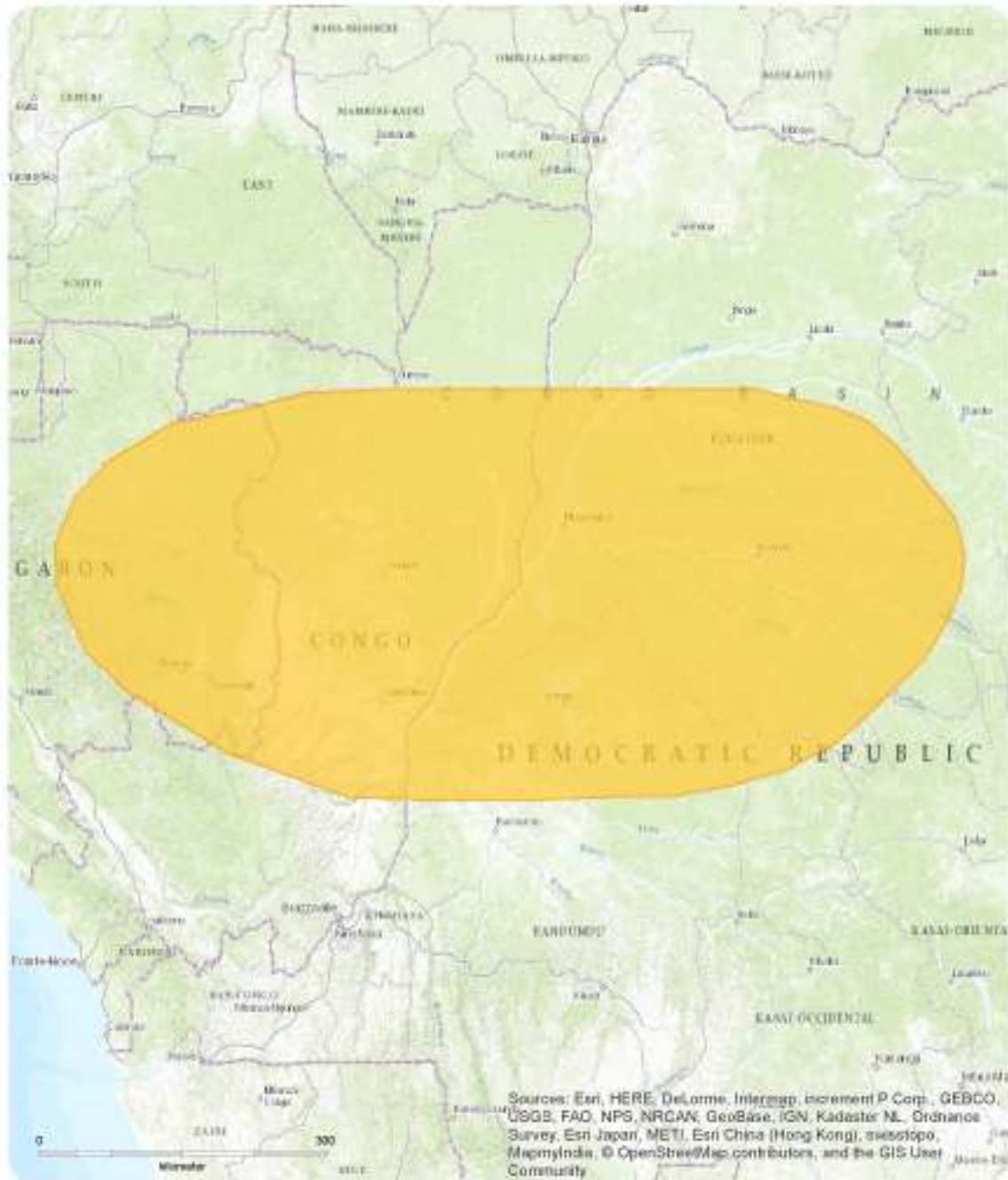
**Range Description:**

This species is known from the Democratic Republic of the Congo and is thought to be distributed throughout Congo and Gabon to Equatorial Guinea (Watkins-Colwell and de Leon 2003). The extent of occurrence is estimated as exceeding 560,000 km<sup>2</sup>.

**Country Occurrence:**

**Native:** Congo; Congo, The Democratic Republic of the; Equatorial Guinea (Equatorial Guinea (mainland)); Gabon

# Distribution Map



## *Trioceros chapini*

Range  
 Extant (resident)

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 Red List Index (Sampled Approach), Zoological Society of London



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## Population

There are no population data available for this species.

**Current Population Trend:** Unknown

## Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

From its range, this species is presumed to inhabit mid-altitudinal tropical rainforest. In Gabon, it was never found under 500m asl (Pauwels & Vande weghe, 2008).

**Systems:** Terrestrial

## Threats (see Appendix for additional information)

Deforestation is occurring in this region due to logging and the expansion of agricultural activities, however, significant areas of habitat remain and this should not be considered a major threat at this time.

## Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

There are no species-specific conservation measures in place for this species at present, however, there are protected areas within its range. Research into the full distribution range of this species is recommended.

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# Appendix

## Habitats

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
1. Forest -> 1.6. Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Moist Lowland	-	Suitable	-

## Threats

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Threat	Timing	Scope	Severity	Impact Score
2. Agriculture & aquaculture -> 2.1. Annual & perennial non-timber crops -> 2.1.4. Scale Unknown/Unrecorded	Ongoing	Minority (50%)	Negligible declines	Low impact: 4
	Stresses:	1. Ecosystem stresses -> 1.1. Ecosystem conversion 1. Ecosystem stresses -> 1.2. Ecosystem degradation		
5. Biological resource use -> 5.3. Logging & wood harvesting -> 5.3.5. Motivation Unknown/Unrecorded	Ongoing	Minority (50%)	Negligible declines	Low impact: 4
	Stresses:	1. Ecosystem stresses -> 1.2. Ecosystem degradation		

## Conservation Actions in Place

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Conservation Actions in Place
In-Place Land/Water Protection and Management
Occur in at least one PA: Yes
In-Place Education
Included in international legislation: Yes
Subject to any international management/trade controls: Yes

## Research Needed

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Research Needed
1. Research -> 1.2. Population size, distribution & trends

## Additional Data Fields

<b>Distribution</b>
Estimated extent of occurrence (EOO) (km <sup>2</sup> ): 560241
<b>Population</b>
Population severely fragmented: No

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