

# THE SMALL-SPOTTED RING-TAILED GENET

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It's not a cat, nor raccoon, nor lemur. Genets are

part of a small carnivorous mammal group called viverrids, distantly related to hyenas, mongooses, tigers and lions. They hunt animals smaller than them like mice both on the ground and in the trees which they are very good and quick at climbing. You see them in Tropical and Southern Africa, but rarely will one pose like this as he did for me. Going on an Africa safari is not all about seeing the big iconic animals, but being lucky enough to spot small yet beautiful creatures such as this. (*Glimpses of Our Breathtaking World #144* Photo ©Jack Wheeler)

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