## **Komodo Dragons**

Did you know that if a Komodo dragon bites your dog your dog has a very little chance to survive! The Komodo dragon has venom in its mouth that can kill its prey and lead it back to claim it, the venom has a sent that can be tracked by a komodo from 5 to 6 miles. But if you don't live in the Gili Dasami, Gili Motang, Komodo, and Rinca Islands of the Indonesian archipelago your dog is not going to get bit. The Komodo Dragon only lives in those islands.

Komodo dragons range between 10 ft (3 m) in body length and weigh up to 300 lbs (140 kg). Komodo Dragons are the biggest lizard in the world. They can run very fast and they can swim too! Komodo Dragons eat birds, deer, or wild pigs, and they will scavenge. They help each other tear the carcass apart into chunks to be swallowed. It's rare for Komodo dragons killing and eating humans, or scavenging their dead bodies. Recent population for the Komodo dragon range from 4,000 to 5,000.

Komodo dragons can live around 30 years in the wild. But they usually die from illegal hunting. Zoos around the world are trying to save komodo dragons from extinction. Komodo dragons are gray and black they have rough scales. If I could pick any pet in the world I would choose a komodo dragon.