

**Alpaca**Vicugna pacos

## **Fun Facts**

- An alpaca's average life span is 20 years.
- Alpacas are relatively clean animals.
- There are only two breeds of alpacas; the *huacaya* and *suri* alpacas.
- Alpacas cannot live alone.
- Alpacas are vegetarian.
- Alpaca fibre is used for knitting and weaving.
- Alpacas love sunbathing!
- Weanlings and adult males are known as *Machos* and the females are hembras.
- Alpacas inhabit marshy mountainous areas in Southern Peru, Western Bolivia, Equador and northern Chile and Argentina.



