

## **Abstract**

This research bachelor thesis focuses on the problematics of man-eating predators, media coverage of their attacks, negative effect this has on the society and also their protection, which is currently very topical. The purpose of this thesis is discovering, whether these individual predators are actually man-eating and if so, for which reasons. This thesis closely focuses on conflicts between predators and humans in the recent years and also how to prevent these attacks from happening and how to act while confronted by a predator. The average number of attacks, their typical course and identification of predators by traces left by them, are listed as well. In conclusion, we can see that predator attacks are not as frequent as it appears by many sources. Thanks to the media coverage however, panic can be spread, leading to disposal of these so called predators, including endangered species, that need to be, for these reasons, protected.

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