Pair Of Horns On Shield, Grant's Gazelle

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Height: 54 cm (21.3")

Width: 30 cm (11.8")

Depth: 36 cm (14.2")

Description

Vintage Taxidermy, Grant's Gazelle Horns On Shield.
A well prepared set of small mounted Grant's gazelle horns with skull cap fixed to a shaped teak shield. Shield with paper sticker to rear "Grant's Gazelle". Taxidermist unknown.

Grant's gazelle (Nanger granti) is a species of gazelle distributed from northern Tanzania to South Sudan and Ethiopia, and from the Kenyan coast to Lake Victoria. Its Swahili name is swala granti. It was named for a 19th-century British explorer, James Grant.
The Grant's gazelle stands 75 - 95 cm (30 - 37 in) at the shoulder. The females weigh from 35 to 50 kg (77 to 110 lbs) and males from 50 to 80 kg (110 to 180 lb). Its coat is a beige orange on the back with a white belly. The Grant's gazelle looks similar to a Thomson's gazelle, except it is much larger and has lyre-shaped horns which are stout at the base, clearly ringed, and measuring 45 - 81 cm (18 - 32 in) long. A useful field mark is the white on the rump that extends over the top of the tail in Grant's but not Thomson's gazelles. The subspecies are segregated by different morphological characters, such as horn shape and slight differences in coat colour. These differences are not indicative of ecological separation as with some species (taken from Wikipedia).

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