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Australian Nocturnal Animal Facts



What Does Nocturnal Mean?

The word nocturnal means to be active at night.



There are many animals in Australia that are nocturnal. This means they sleep during the day and move around at night.

Possum

Possums, including the Brushtail and Ringtail Possums, are active at night.

- | In the day, possums will
- | sleep in tree trunks, hollow
- | logs or even the roofs of
- | houses. Once night comes,
- | possums will feed on their
- | favourite plants.



Owl

There are many species of owls in Australia. This includes the Barn Owl, the Powerful Owl and the Barking Owl.



Most species of owls in Australia are nocturnal. Owls use their huge eyes like binoculars.

Quoll

They are sometimes active in the sun, but they are mainly nocturnal.

Once night comes around, quolls will climb up trees to raid the nests of birds.



Flying Fox

Flying foxes will sleep in the tree during the day.



At night, they use their eyesight to find food, such as nectar and fruit.

Bilby

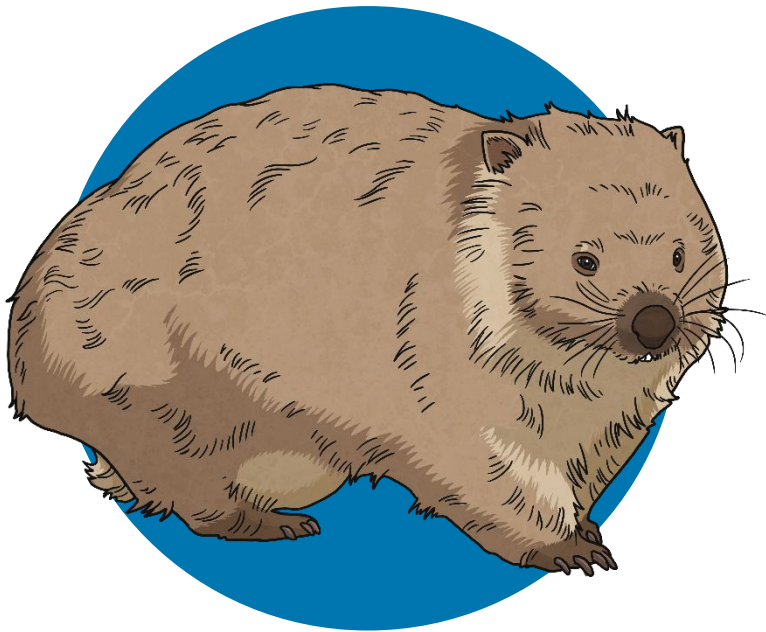
Bilbies come out at night.

Bilbies eat insects and spiders. They do not drink water as they get all their water from the food they eat.



Wombat

Wombats come out at night in summer to avoid hot temperatures.



Wombats will travel up to three kilometres to find food. They like to eat plants and vegetables.

Bandicoot

At daytime, bandicoots sleep in nests which are camouflaged with leaves and grass.

Bandicoots use their noses to sniff for food. Bandicoots are omnivores, meaning they eat both plants and meat. They enjoy eating insects, berries, lizards, seeds, snails and fruit.

