



# FUN FACTS

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**You don't have to go to Australia to see animals that live there! Below is information about some Australian animals that you can see during your next visit.**



## Green Sea Turtle

- Gets its name from the green fat found under its shell.
  - Eat mostly seaweeds and seagrass as adults.
  - About 3-5 feet long and weighs 200-500 pounds.
  - Green sea turtles can live to be over 80 years old.

## Little Blue Penguin

- The Little Blue penguin is the smallest penguin and is also known as the fairy penguin.
- Little Blues generally spend all day hunting for food at sea and return to roost at dusk, only coming ashore under the cover of darkness.
- Underwater, little blues can reach speeds of up to 4 mph and usually travel about 15 - 30 miles from shore.
- Little blues eat small fish and sometimes squid and krill.



## Kookaburra

- This bird gets its name from its laughter-like call.
- Its beak can reach 4 inches long and is used to eat a variety of invertebrates and other small animals.
  - They build their nests in holes in trees.
- Kookaburras hunt during the day and rest at night.

## Zebra Shark

- Eats snails and crabs as well as small fish.
- Can reach a maximum size of 12 feet, however most are between 7-8 feet.
- When born, Zebra sharks have stripes. As they become adults, the pattern changes to spots.
- The Zebra shark's tail is almost as long as its body.

