# Животный мир Австралии





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Цель работы

• Познакомиться с разновидностями животного мира Австралии и найти интересные факты о флоре континента.

## Australian Wildlife

- Australia has half a million species of animals and plants – one of the greatest varieties of any country in the world.
- Australia is unusual in its unique fauna. It includes:
- 70% of the world's marsupials.
- All of the world's monotremes.
- Only a small percentage of the world's placental.
- An enormous diversity of parrots and other birds.
- A fascinating range of reptiles, amphibians and fish
- Many unusual invertebrates.

Why does Australia have many unique species ?

- Australia has been isolated for long periods of time, so there has been little exchange of animals with the rest of the world.
- Australia's climate is often unpredictable. There may be long periods of drought, frequent floods, or fires.

 The last toolache wallaby was seen in 1927. It is presumed that this animal became extinct through a combination of habitat clearing for farming and sport shooting.



 High prices from overseas collectors encourage the smuggling of many unique and colorful Australian animals such as the golden shouldered parrot.



 Habitat loss and fishing have decreased the number of fish in the Murray Darling River system.



 Feral cats are founed throughout Australia. They kill many animals including smaal mammals, birds, frogs, reptiles and insects. Cats threaten the only mainland population of bandicoot in thestate of Victoria.





Foxes are partly responsible for the decline in numbers of brush-tailed bettongs, plains wanderers and other ground-dwelling animals. Where they are absent, in Tasmania and tropical Australia, the loss of small mammals has been less.



Rabbits have been amongst the most destructive of all introduced animals. They occur across Australia, except in the tropics. They have permanently damaged large parts of arid Australia by overgrazing. As well as eating the more palatable grasses, rabbits will even ringbark shrubs and trees.



#### Animals Under Threat

 The following animals are under threat and can be seen at the Tarango Zoo in

Sydney:













#### The Koala



- The koala is one of the best known and most loved animals in Australia. Koalas live in lightly wooded areas containing suitable food. They eat eucalyptus leaves. Koalas seldom drink, as they obtain enough water from the diet of leaves.
- The koala sleeps in a fork of a tree for most of a day and moves about and feeds at night. It is most active just after sunset.



#### Sunsets

- Beautiful sunsets Heavenly skies
- If you listen closely you can hear
  - Animals cries.
- They're calling their sons.
- And when they hear it, they run to their mums.
- Night is arriving
- Animals are preparing to sleep.
- Owls are awakening
- They are stating to creep.
- A lot of Dark hours pass
- A mother wakes up to say,
- "Wake up little cubs.
- Be proud for a brand new day"
- [Marco Luis]





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