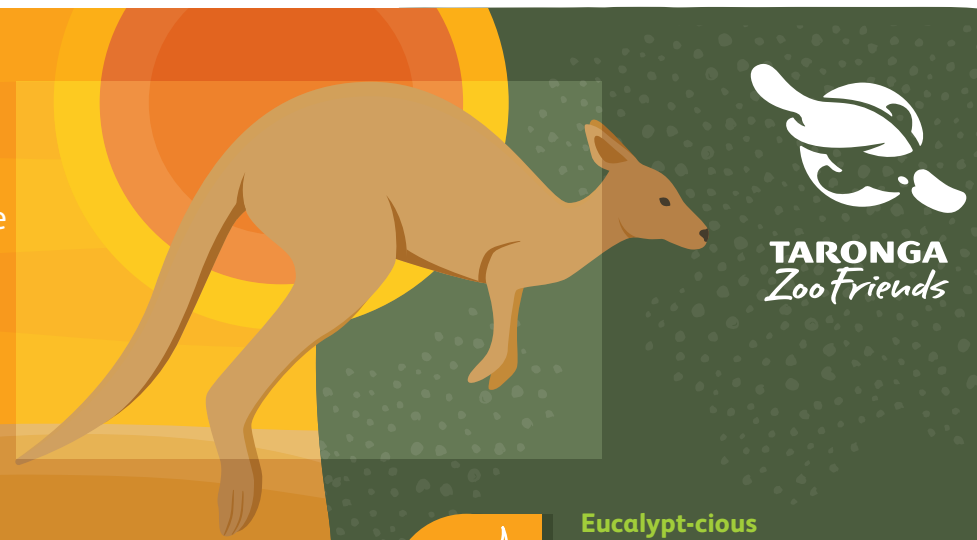


ZOO FRIENDS *at* HOME: AUSTRALIA

Both Taronga Zoo Sydney and Taronga Western Plains Zoo Dubbo are home to many native Australian animals, from kangaroos to koalas, echidnas and quokkas, but did you know, that Australia is home to over **7,000 species of vertebrates, including over 350 species of mammals?** As Australia is an island, our plant and animal species are among the most unique in the world, with many not found anywhere else in the world!



MACROPOD WORD SEARCH

Kangaroos and wallabies belong to a family of animals called macropods, which means 'big foot'? In total, there are over 70 species of macropods native to Australia. Try and find these familiar families of macropods in the word search.



KANGAROO



WALLABY



BETTONG



PADEMELON



POTOROO



QUOKKA

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Eucalypt-cious

An adult koala eats about half a kilogram of eucalyptus leaves a day. They're also fussy eaters, choosing most of their food for just a few tree varieties.



Two of a Kind

Echidnas and Platypus are the world's only monotremes, which means they are mammals that lay eggs.



What's That Sting?

Did you know that a male Platypus is venomous? They have poisonous spurs on their hind legs.



Grassy Grazing

Native grasses are a wombat's favourite food, and to help them graze, their teeth never stop growing!



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