

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS

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Australian Animals Program for Schools

Studying Australia? We provide reinforcing content through interactions with a variety of amazing animals. We touch on geography, habitat, conservation and, especially, the incredible adaptations of animals found nowhere else. Program can be modified to suit any grade level and typically runs 60 minutes (can be extended as needed). We can provide up to 3 programs back-to-back as needed.

Program animals include:

Bennett's Wallaby- Our wallabies enjoy meeting new friends and being petted. Kids will learn about marsupials and their unique ways of caring for their young.

Sugar Gliders- These hyperactive little creatures are not rodents- they're opossums and thus are marsupials. In the wild they can glide over 100 feet from tree to tree! We discuss habitat, diet and more.

Blue Tongued Skink- Sheila is a friendly lizard who loves to be handled and to show you her blue tongue. That brightly colored tongue is an excellent example of how some non-venomous animals mimic the bright colors of poisonous animals for defense. She is also a lizard that mimics a snake!

Bearded Dragons- These lizard's bodies and unique skin allow them to camouflage in the outback of Australia. When startled, they puff up their beards to make themselves look bigger than they really are. Our dragons love to be held and petted.

Frilled Lizard- One of Australia's most famous reptiles is the frilled lizard. This lizard looks much like a dinosaur when he displays his frill and walks on two legs. Students can touch his tree bark-like skin and feed him crickets.

Woma Python- Walter the Woma Python is a desert snake from the outback of Australia. He demonstrates camouflage and mimicry.

Carpet Python- Found in many habitats throughout Australia and its neighbors, carpet pythons are somewhat slender snakes that reach an average of 9-10 feet.

Notes:

- **We reserve the right to modify program(s) at any time without notice. Depending on class size, available time, animal well-being or other factors, certain animals may not be available.**
- **Animal Encounters is a USDA licensed animal exhibitor and is fully insured.**