

# KANGAROOS

## FUN FACT!

Kangaroos are the only large animals that move around by hopping on their hind legs! They can hop up to 30 feet in one leap.

## FACT SHEET

**Scientific Name**  
**MACROPUS RUFUS**

## Region

**ORIGINATED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

They inhabit a variety of habitats, including forests, grasslands, and deserts.

## Diet

**HERBIVORE (PLANTS)**

Hopping along, they graze on grasses and shrubs, the salad bar of the Outback.

## Life Span

**IN THE WILD**

6-8 years (varies by species)

**IN THE ZOO**

Varies by species

## Size

**WEIGHT**

30-200 pounds (varies by species)

**HEIGHT**

Varies by species (e.g., Red Kangaroo: 4.9-8.9 feet)



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ON MAP

## CONSERVATION STATUS

**LEAST CONCERN (LC)**



The IUCN, International Union for Conservation of Nature maintains the Red List, a global database assessing the conservation status of species. It's a vital tool for tracking endangered species and guiding conservation efforts.

