

# Animals of Australia

## The Emu

The emu is the largest bird in Australia, and the second largest in the world after the ostrich.

An emu runs fast but cannot fly.

They can grow up to 2m tall.

They can live between ten and twenty years in the wild.

Emus eat grass, fruit and seeds.

They are covered in soft fluffy feathers.

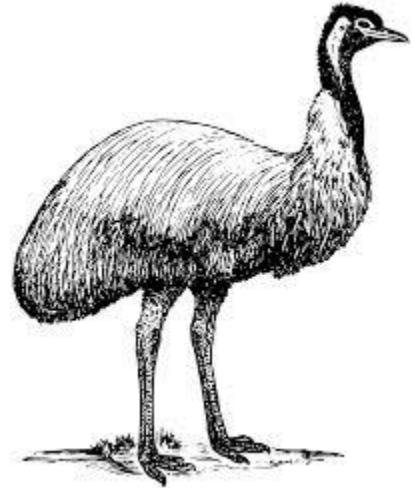
They have two sets of eyelids, one for blinking and the other for keeping the dust out! Emus live on the grassy flat land of Australia.

Emus have long necks, sharp beaks and small ears.

Their feet are long, with three toes. One toe on each foot has a long talon, for fighting.

Emu feathers are soft and light-brown with dark tips.

Males are slightly smaller than females. Males make a grunting sound like a pig and females make a loud booming sound.



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2. Emus cannot f \_\_.
3. Emus have two sets of eye lids. One set keeps the d \_\_\_ out.
4. Emus eat p \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Female emus make a loud b \_\_\_\_\_ sound.
6. Draw a picture of an emu. Use the right colours.