



ASSOCIATION BATS QLD

- Bats QLD is a volunteer wildlife rescue organisation.
- They rescue, rehabilitate and release Flying-foxes and Microbats in Gold Coast, Australia.
- Their main goal is to educate people about the importance of bats and to encourage them to coexist peacefully with these animals.
- Thanks to the help of this association, I have created this leaflet in order to raise awareness about Australian endangered species.
- If you are willing to help them, don't hesitate to contact them :



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Main causes of extinction



habitat loss

bushfires



deforestation

climate change



pollution

diseases



vehicle strikes

animals attacks



barbwire



HAVE YOU NOTICED ?

Human activity is
one of the main
causes of species'
extinction.



WHY SHOULD WE PRESERVE THEM

All species play a role in the ecosystem, once a species starts to decline, it creates a domino effect, as it will hinder the ecosystem's balance. If they are impacted **YOU ARE IMPACTED.**



WHAT CAN YOU DO TO PRESERVE THEM ?

- Never feed wildlife
- Drive slowly & carefully
- Never litter
- Put out water
- Create homes (ex : birdhouses)
- Always call a wildlife rescue group if needed
- Support a wildlife rescue organisation (like Bats QLD)

YOU can act in your every
day life to help them !



PLATYPUS



- It is a **semi-aquatic species** that preys on aquatic insects and freshwater crayfishes
- Since White settlement, platypi have **declined by 50%**
- They make **burrows** in the banks of freshwater streams
- Their main threat is **habitat loss**
- Platypi are top predators in **controlling** the population of **macro-invertebrates**

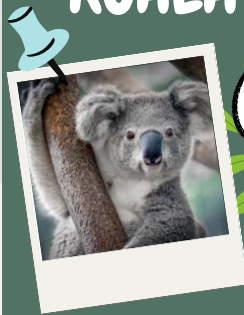


FUN FACT:

THEY GLOW UNDER A BLACKLIGHT



KOALA



- Koalas are **specialised feeding marsupials**, they only eat from a select set of **eucalyptus trees**
- since white settlement, koalas have **declined by over 90 %**
- They are particularly prone to **dog attacks** and **vehicule strikes** during their mating season
- They **shape** the composition of the **forest vegetation** and help to influence the **growth and health** of their eucalyptus habitats
- It is very difficult for them to **move on to new trees** or coming to care as they have become so used to their trees



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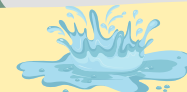
THEY CAN SLEEP UP TO 18 HOURS A DAY

FLYING-FOXES

Grey-headed



- Flying-foxes are a type of **large bat**
- Since white settlement, flying-foxes have **declined by 70%**
- They feed on **native fruits and flowers**
- Their main threats are **barbwire fences** and **fruit netting**
- They have a significant role in the **pollination of eucalyptus trees** & are also effective **seed dispersers**
- Flying-foxes do everything possible to **remain light for flying** so they don't swallow the pulp of the fruit



FUN FACT:

THEY ARE QUITE GOOD SWIMMERS

