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Animal Fact Sheet

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Barn Owl

Tyto alba

The barn owl hunts by sound alone, and it can do it in total darkness. Its ear openings are asymmetrical, one set higher than the other, so a sound arriving from below reaches one ear a fraction befo…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Tytonidae
Habitat: Open countryside, grasslands, farmlands, and edges of woodlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-9 years in the wild
Weight: 400-700 grams
Scientific name: Tyto alba

Did you know?

- A single Barn Owl family can consume over 1,000 rodents in a single breeding season, making them invaluable for natural pest control.
- Its ear openings sit at different heights, letting it locate prey in three dimensions by sound alone, in complete darkness. The heart-shaped face is …

What I learned

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