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Animal Fact Sheet

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Common Ostrich

Struthio camelus

The common ostrich is the largest and heaviest living bird, and it has traded flight away entirely for running. It is the fastest bird on land, holding roughly 60–70 km/h, helped by an anatomical odd…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Struthionidae
Habitat: Savanna and open grasslands
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 30-40 years
Weight: 90-150 kg
Scientific name: Struthio camelus

Did you know?

- Despite being flightless, ostriches use their wings for balance and impressive courtship displays.
- The ostrich is the only bird with two toes on each foot; the larger one works like a hoof. Its eye is bigger than its brain — among the largest of an…

What I learned

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