

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Greater Bilby

*Macrotis lagotis*

The Greater Bilby is a nocturnal, burrowing marsupial native to arid regions of Australia. Recognizable by its long, silky blue-grey fur, large ears, and pointed snout, the bilby is well-adapted for ...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal

**Family:** Thylacomyidae

**Habitat:** Arid and semi-arid desert regions

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Vulnerable

**Lifespan:** 6-7 years in the wild

**Weight:** 0.8-2.5 kg

**Scientific name:** *Macrotis lagotis*

### Did you know?

- The Greater Bilby is sometimes called the 'Easter Bilby' in Australia, where it serves as a conservation-friendly alternative to the Easter Bunny.
- Bilbies have excellent hearing thanks to their large ears, and they rarely need to drink water, obtaining most of their moisture from food. Their bur...

### What I learned

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