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# Animal Fact Sheet

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# King Penguin

*Aptenodytes patagonicus*

Aptenodytes patagonicus has the longest and strangest breeding cycle of any bird: chick-rearing takes 14 to 16 months, which is so long that a pair cannot fit two broods into two years and instead br…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Bird
**Family:** Spheniscidae
**Habitat:** Subantarctic islands and surrounding cold ocean waters
**Diet:** Carnivore
**Conservation status:** Least Concern
**Lifespan:** 15-20 years
**Weight:** 11-16 kg
**Scientific name:** Aptenodytes patagonicus

## Did you know?

- Unlike most birds, King Penguin chicks take over a year to fledge and are cared for by their parents through the harsh winter.
- Parents find their own chick in a colony of a hundred thousand purely by voice, using a two-voice call produced by both halves of the syrinx at once,…

## What I learned

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