

Animal Fact Sheet

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Numbat

Myrmecobius fasciatus

The numbat is a small, diurnal marsupial native to Western Australia, easily recognized by its reddish-brown fur and distinctive white stripes across its back. Unlike most marsupials, numbats are spe...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Myrmecobiidae

Habitat: Eucalypt woodlands

Diet: Insectivore

Conservation status: Endangered

Lifespan: 5-6 years

Weight: 280-700 grams

Scientific name: *Myrmecobius fasciatus*

Did you know?

- Numbats are the only member of the family Myrmecobiidae, making them evolutionarily unique among marsupials.
- Numbats can consume up to 20,000 termites in a single day. Unlike most marsupials, females do not have a pouch; instead, the young cling to the mother.

What I learned
