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Animal Fact Sheet

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Rainbow Lorikeet

Trichoglossus moluccanus

Trichoglossus moluccanus does not have the crushing seed-cracking bill of most parrots, and the reason is inside its mouth: the tongue tip carries a brush of erectile papillae that mop up nectar and …

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Psittaculidae
Habitat: Coastal forests, woodlands, and urban areas
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 75-157 grams
Scientific name: Trichoglossus moluccanus

Did you know?

- Unlike many parrots, Rainbow Lorikeets do not eat seeds and instead rely primarily on nectar, making them vital pollinators in their ecosystems.
- A rainbow lorikeet has been recorded getting drunk on fermented nectar, and lorikeets found staggering and falling from trees in the Northern Territo…

What I learned

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