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Animal Fact Sheet

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Red Kangaroo

Macropus rufus

The Red Kangaroo (Macropus rufus) holds the title as the largest kangaroo species and the largest terrestrial mammal native to Australia. Adult males, known as boomers, can reach heights of over 1.8 …

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Macropodidae
Habitat: Open plains, grasslands, and arid desert regions
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 12-18 years
Weight: 18–90 kg (40–200 lbs)
Scientific name: Macropus rufus

Did you know?

- A Red Kangaroo can survive for long periods without water by getting moisture from the plants it eats.
- Red kangaroos can reach speeds of over 56 kilometers per hour (35 miles per hour), making them one of the fastest marsupials. Unlike many mammals, th…

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