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Animal Fact Sheet

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Superb Lyrebird

Menura novaehollandiae

The lyrebird is the finest vocal mimic on Earth, and it does not stop at other birds. Its syrinx is unusually flexible, and it reproduces mechanical sounds with an accuracy that is genuinely unsettli…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Menuridae
Habitat: Temperate rainforest and wet forest
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 0.95–1.3 kg
Scientific name: Menura novaehollandiae

Did you know?

- Despite their showy displays, Superb Lyrebirds are extremely shy and elusive, making them challenging to observe in the wild.
- It mimics chainsaws, camera shutters and car alarms as convincingly as it mimics other birds. A displaying male imitates the alarm calls of a mobbing…

What I learned

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