

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Woylie

*Bettongia penicillata*

The Woylie, also known as the Brush-tailed Bettong, is a small, nocturnal marsupial native to southwestern Australia. Distinctive for its slender build and bushy black-tipped tail, the Woylie plays a...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal

**Family:** Potoroidae

**Habitat:** Dry sclerophyll forest and woodland

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Critically Endangered

**Lifespan:** 4-6 years

**Weight:** 1-1.8 kg

**Scientific name:** *Bettongia penicillata*

### Did you know?

- A single Woylie can turn over as much as 4 tonnes of soil in a year, significantly shaping its habitat and aiding in forest regeneration.
- Woylies are expert diggers, turning over large amounts of soil each night in search of fungi. Their bushy tails are used to carry nesting materials, ...

### What I learned

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