

# Rainbow Lorikeets

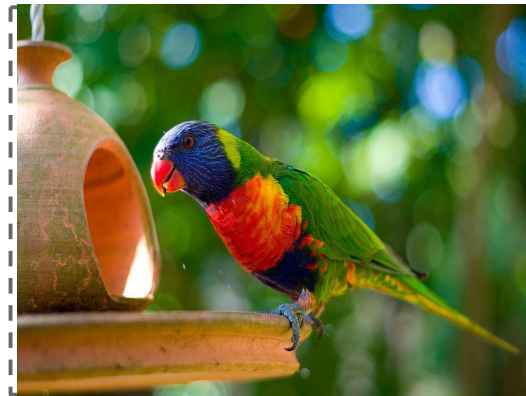
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## INTRODUCTION

The Rainbow Lorikeet is found in coastal regions across northern and eastern Australia, with a smaller population in Perth.



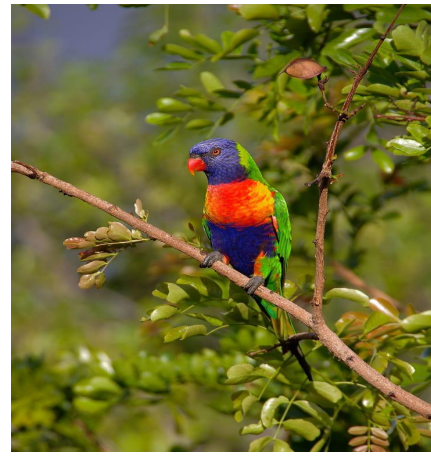
Did You Know?

**Nestling Period:**

**45 days**

# DESCRIPTION

The Rainbow Lorikeet is unmistakable with its bright red beak and colourful plumage. Both sexes look alike, with a blue head and belly, green wings, tail and back, and an orange-yellow breast. They are often seen in loud and fast-moving flocks.



## Useful Facts

Average length:

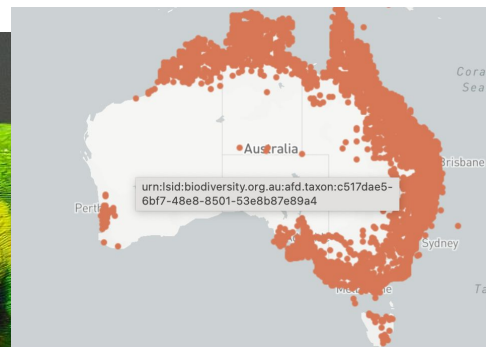
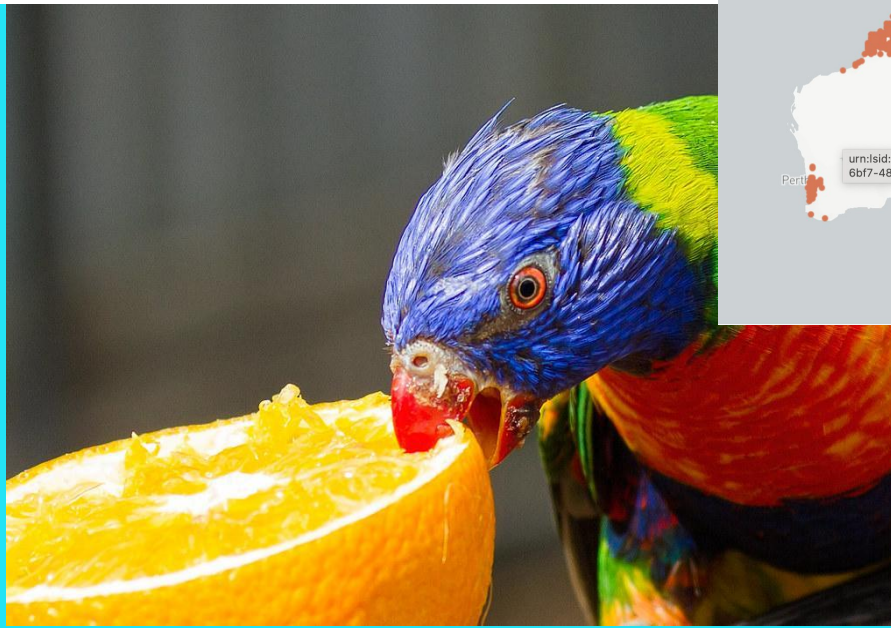
**30cm**

Average weight:

**133g**

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Rainbow Lorikeet is eating an orange.



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# FACTS



## Diet

The Rainbow Lorikeet mostly eats flowers of shrubs or trees. They enjoy the nectar and pollen, but they also eat fruits, seeds and some insects.

## Habitat

The Rainbow Lorikeet is found in a wide range of treed habitats including rainforest and woodlands, as well as in urban areas.

## Breeding Season

It is from June to January.

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# 5 REASONS TO PROTECT THEM...



Rainbow lorikeets are classed as managed fauna by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) under the Biodiversity and Conservation Act.



They help plants by pruning them.



As lorikeets eat they pollinate the flowers.



They control the number of insects.



The major threats to are loss of breeding sites and food resources from ongoing land clearing.

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# SOURCES I USED

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- ▶ <https://australian.museum/learn/animals/birds/birds-in-backyards-top-30-urban-birds/>

