

Weird Animal Research Form

Find an animal with a trait you think is the weirdest. What is it called?

Platypus

Describe what is weird about it? (weird look, sounds, way of moving, extra arm, etc.)

The platypus is a mammal that lays eggs, produces venom, has a bill that is an electro-sensor, and instead of a stomach they have a gullet.

What does it use its weird traits for? (hunting, nest building, showing off, etc.)

It uses its bill for electrolocation to hunt. It uses its gullet to break up solid foods because it does not have an acid producing stomach. Only the males produce venom out of spurs on their hind legs to fend off other males during breeding season.

Where does it live? (country, eco-system, biome, etc.)

Platypuses live in the freshwater areas on the island of Tasmania and the eastern and southeastern coast of Australia.

Does it migrate? Where does it travel? How large is its domain?

The platypus habitat is very small, and it does not migrate at all.

What does it eat? (berries, mice, worms, dirt, fungus, etc.)

They are carnivores and feed on annelid worms, insect larvae, freshwater shrimp and crayfish



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