

DISTRIBUTION



When hot they do sweat, but their preferred method of cooling down is through panting.



The male is up to twice the size of the female.

Wallaroos, like other members of the Kangaroo family, can become pregnant soon after giving birth but the new embryo remains undeveloped until the pouch is free, this is known as "delayed implantation".

# WALLAROO

*Macropus robustus*

"Wallaroo" may sound like the result of breeding a wallaby and a kangaroo, but it is actually a species in its own right.

The Eastern wallaroo is a rather stocky kangaroo with coarse, shaggy fur, a hairless muzzle, a relatively short, thick tail with a distinctive upright hopping style.

Linton is currently the only zoo in the UK where you are able to see this species.



The Eastern wallaroo has shorter limbs than other kangaroo species which is thought to be an adaptation for leaping around on rocks.

FACTS & FIGURES	
Where found	Mainland Australia
Habitat	Mountainous areas, rocky hills
Diet	Herbivore, mostly grasses, shrub foliage
Average body height	Males 100-140cm Females 75 -100cm Plus tail up to 90cm!
Average weight	Males 30-35kg Females 16-20kg
Gestation	30-38 days
Maximum lifespan	Around 18 years



THE RISK OF EXTINCTION FOR THIS SPECIES HAS CURRENTLY BEEN ASSESSED AS **LEAST CONCERN** IUCN RED LIST

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