Ducks



Body

Ducks are birds. They have strong bills and webbed feet. There are more than 30 kinds of ducks. Most ducks are 1 to 2 feet (.3 to .6 meter) long.

Habitat

Ducks live near lakes, marshes, and ponds. They are found all over the world, except in very cold places. Some ducks migrate during the winter.

Food

Ducks eat plants, insects, worms, and small animals. They look for food on land and in the water.

Life Cycle

Female ducks lay five to 12 eggs. A duck sits on her eggs to keep them warm. Ducklings hatch after about one month. Ducks live seven to 15 years.

Fun Facts

- Male ducks are called drakes. Females are called hens.
- A group of ducks in flight is called a flock.
- Ducks have no feeling in their feet.

Glossary Terms

duckling - a young duck

marsh - an area of wet, low land

migrate - to move from one place to another when seasons change or to find food

webbed - having toes that are connected by a fold of skin

hatch - to break out of an egg

bill - the long hard part of a duck's mouth

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