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# DUCKS

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# Mandarin Duck

Male  
mandarin  
ducks have  
beautiful brightly  
colored feathers.



Females have dull gray  
or brown feathers and  
spotted chests.



Females choose tree hollows and nest boxes to lay their eggs in.



Mandarin ducks look for places to live that have plants and trees, such as near rivers, lakes, marshes, and swamps.





## Mandarin Duck

They do not dive for food. Instead, they dip only their heads underwater.



Some of their favorite foods are seeds, nuts, acorns, and grains.



They also eat other animals, such as frogs, small fish, insects, and land snails.

Most mandarin ducks live 6 to 7 years, but some have lived as long as 12 years!







# White-faced Whistling Duck

The white-faced whistling duck is named for its white face. Its feathers are chestnut and olive brown.



These ducks find food in wetlands during the dry season.



Females lay 4 to 13  
creamy white or light  
pink eggs.



Groups of these ducks  
can be heard  
making “whistling”  
noises when  
feeding or  
flying.





## White-faced Whistling Duck

They feed at night, from dusk to dawn.



They love to eat water insects, rice, seeds, and weeds.



Whistling ducks find their food by wading, dabbling, and diving.

They are most often found in wetlands, but they are sometimes seen in swamps and rice paddies.







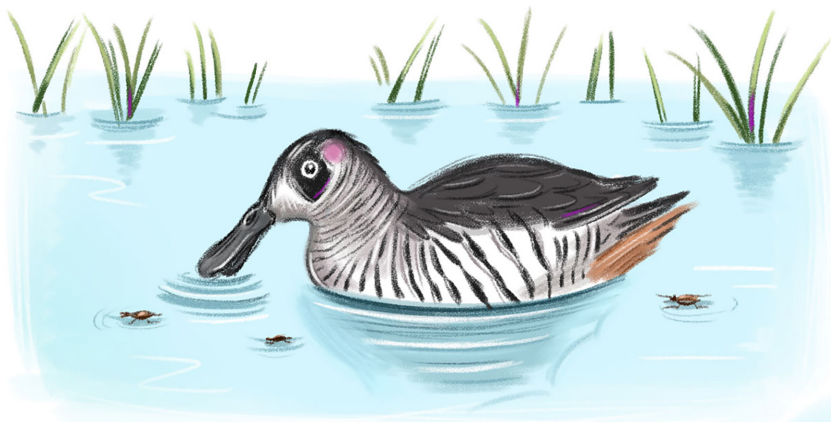
# Pink-eared Duck

The pink-eared duck is named for the pink spot found near its ear.



They like to eat very small seeds and water insects.

Their feathers make a pattern of dark and light stripes.



Their flat bills make easy work of filtering food from mud and water.





## Pink-eared Duck

They make their homes over water in tree hollows or nest boxes.



Their eggs are creamy white, and females lay 6 to 8 eggs at a time.



Pink-eared ducks are found only in wet areas of Australia.

They like to live near any water and are often found around ponds and lakes.



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Designed for Level 2 readers, these beautifully illustrated animal guides work well as stand-alone books. They also correlate perfectly with the Little Glass Lake series, in which the main character, Holly, treasures her own set of Good and Beautiful Animal Guides. When an adventure ensues with a certain type of animal at Little Glass Lake, Holly studies the guide about that animal, and your reader can too! In this guide, dive into the world of ducks!

