

Z.P.G.A. "Cubs Club" Newsletter

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A focus on Ostrich



Welcome to the Z.P.G.A. Cubs Club

There are two living species of ostrich, the common ostrich and the Somali ostrich. They are large flightless birds of Africa who lay the largest eggs of any living land animal.

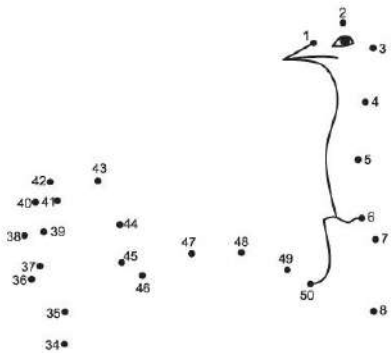
With the ability to run at 70 km/h (43.5 mph), they are the fastest birds on land.

They are farmed worldwide, particularly for their feathers, as they are used as decoration and feather dusters. Their skin is also used for leather products.



Ethics are everything!

Can you join all the dots?

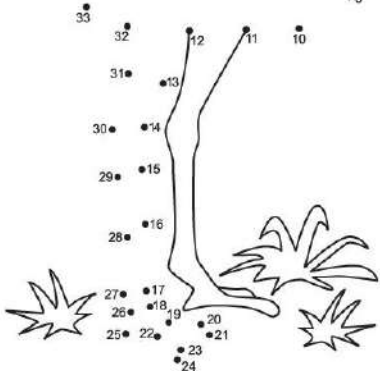


What do Ostriches eat?

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How fast can an Ostrich run?

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- The flightless ostrich is the world's largest bird.
- Ostriches have three stomachs.
- Unlike all other living birds, the ostrich secretes urine separately from faeces.
- Ostriches are the fastest runners of any birds, or other two-legged animal and can sprint at over 70 km/hr, covering up to 5m in a single stride.

Do Ostriches bury their heads in the sand?

Despite popular misconception, ostriches do not stick their heads in the sand. This myth originated in ancient Rome and is so pervasive that it's used as a common metaphor for someone avoiding their problems. It's thought that this belief began after observing ostriches nesting and being stalked by predators.

First, it must be noted that as majestic as ostriches are, they have very small heads compared to their bodies, so it's perhaps easy to see why so many people believed their heads were simply disappearing underground. Furthermore, these birds do not build nests like other fowls, choosing instead to bury their eggs in a hole in the sand.

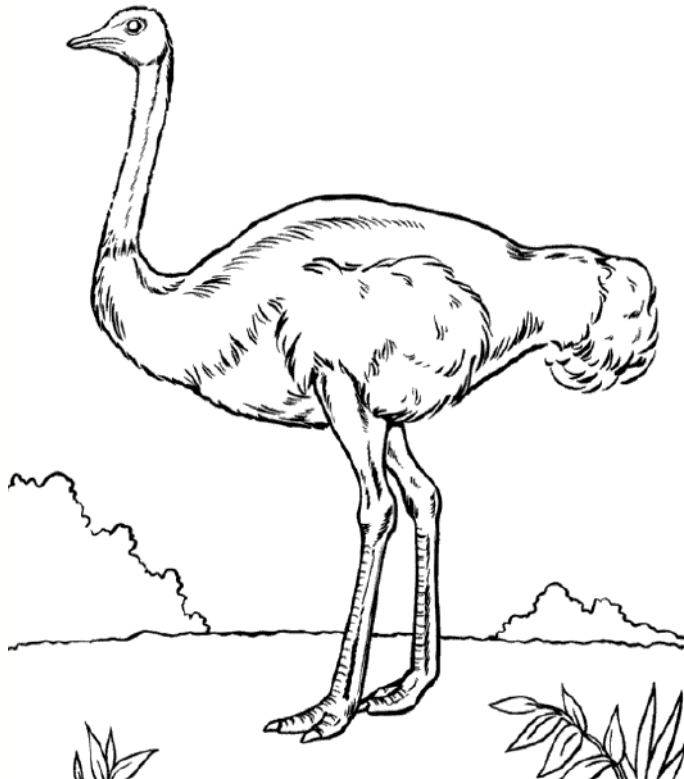
They routinely use their beaks to check on and turn their eggs, which may give the impression of sticking their heads right into the dirt.

Last, when faced with danger, ostriches will lower their heads to the ground in an attempt to blend into their surroundings and becoming a lesser target, behaviour that surely fooled more than one person into thinking their heads weren't there at all.



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When you are out on safari it is important to know what the weather is going to be like.

It may be hot and you need to think about taking water with you and sun cream, or it may be cold and you need your warm jacket.

It is always good to be prepared for what the weather throws at you. That way you will enjoy your safari no matter how hot, cold or wet it is.



WEATHER



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COLD	HOT	SUNSHINE
COOL	RAIN	WEATHER
DROP	REPORT	WIND



So, last time we spoke about littering and explained that it was important not to litter. What did you do to clean up around your home? Did you perhaps put all the rubbish in the dustbin? Did you clean up around your house a little?

There is so much that you can do... Ask your parents to help give you some ideas on how to reduce the plastic you use.