



About Koalas

Koalas are sometimes called 'Koala Bears', however, they are not really bears at all, although they do resemble cute teddy bears. Koalas are marsupials which means that the mother will carry her baby in her pouch for up to 6 months.

A koala will mostly eat eucalyptus leaves. The average koala can eat 500 grams of eucalyptus leaves per day, chewing them to a fine paste with their sharp teeth and powerful jaws before swallowing.

Koalas only need to drink when they are ill or when there is a lack of moisture during droughts as 90% of their moisture comes from the plants they eat.

Koalas are nocturnal, which means they sleep in the day and come alive at night. They sleep for 18 hours a day.

Did you know...

The name Koala means “No drink” and is thought to originate from one of the Australian Aboriginal languages.