

All about owls

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- 1) Owls have big, round Their eyes are fixed forwards so they see in vision.
- 2) This means that owls have fantastic long-distance , but close up vision is
- 3) As they can't move their eyes, they have extra in their neck, so they can turn their head degrees in each direction.
- 4) Owls only eat other like mice, rats and even rabbits! This makes them
- 5) Owls can't their food, so they have to swallow it They cough up any fur and bones as an owl
- 6) An owl can hear even the sounds. You can't see their though!
- 7) An owl's ears are on the sides of their head. One is slightly than the other so that they can pinpoint more easily.
- 8) Owls have small feathers around the of their face, called a facial disc. This helps sounds to the owl's ears.

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- 10) Owl feathers are soft so that they can fly They are not very though!
- 11) The colour of their feathers helps them to in their
- 12) They use their to catch their Their sharp claws are called
- 13) Not all owls like a tawny owl. Barn owls make a harsh sound: "Screee!"

perimeter	pellet	direct
poor	animals	feet
270	bones	whole
silently	higher	sounds
talons	colours	ears
eyes	waterproof	time
camouflage	screeching	
eyesight	chew	
hoot	environment	
binocular	prey	
quietest	carnivores	



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- 1) Owls have big, round **eyes** . Their eyes are fixed forwards so they see in **binocular** vision.
- 2) This means that owls have fantastic long-distance **eyesight** , but close up vision is **poor** .
- 3) As they can't move their eyes, they have extra **bones** in their neck, so they can turn their head **270** degrees in each direction.
- 4) Owls only eat other **animals** like mice, rats and even rabbits! This makes them **carnivores** .
- 5) Owls can't **chew** their food, so they have to swallow it **whole** . They cough up any fur and bones as an owl **pellet** .
- 6) An owl can hear even the **quietest** sounds. You can't see their **ears** though!
- 7) An owl's ears are on the sides of their head. One is slightly **higher** than the other so that they can pinpoint **sounds** more easily.
- 8) Owls have small feathers around the **perimeter** of their face, called a facial disc. This helps **direct** sounds to the owl's ears.

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- 9) Owls can have one of three eye **colours** which indicate which **time** they go out to hunt.
- 10) Owl feathers are soft so that they can fly **silently** . They are not very **waterproof** though!
- 11) The colour of their feathers helps them to **camouflage** in their **environment** .
- 12) They use their **feet** to catch their **prey** . Their sharp claws are called **talons** .
- 13) Not all owls **hoot** like a tawny owl. Barn owls make a harsh **screeching** sound: "Screee!"

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