

Tasmanian Devil



The Tasmanian Devil is a carnivorous marsupial of the family Dasyuridae. Until recently, it was only found on the island state of Tasmania, but it has now been reintroduced to New South Wales in mainland Australia, with a small breeding population. It got its name from early European settlers who upon hearing mysterious unearthly screams, coughs and growls from the bush decided to investigate further. Finding the dog-like animal with red ears, wide jaws and big sharp teeth led them to call it "The Devil". Tasmanian Devils are titled endangered because they are threatened with extinction due to the deadly Devil Facial Tumour Disease (DFTD) - a devastating disease that emerged in 1996 and still has no cure.

Southern Cassowary



The Southern Cassowary, also known as double-wattled cassowary, Australian cassowary or two-wattled cassowary, is a large flightless black bird. It is one of the three living species of cassowary, alongside the dwarf cassowary and the northern cassowary. These flightless birds have three-toed feet with sharp claws. The second toe, the inner one in the medial position, sports a dagger-like claw that may be 125 mm (5 in) long. This claw is particularly fearsome, since cassowaries sometimes kick humans and other animals with their powerful legs. They are titled endangered because the cassowary is an important species crucial for rainforest ecology, with fewer than 4,600 remaining in the wild. Their main threat is loss of habitat due to development.

Great White Shark



The Great White Shark, also known as the white shark, white pointer, or simply great white, is a species of large mackerel shark which can be found in the coastal surface waters of all the major oceans. They have been recorded from Moreton Bay in Queensland, around the south coast of Australia, and over to West Cape in Western Australia. There is a healthy population over 300 white sharks in the Australian region. They are titled endangered because their population have been decreasing in numbers and are rare due to years of being hunted by man for fins and teeth, and often as a trophy for sport fishing. The white shark is often caught as bycatch by commercial fisheries and can also become entangled in meshes that protect beaches.