



EMU



Emu, <i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>
Height Up to 1.9m tall
Weight 18-60 kg
Length 1.39-1.64m
Identification Large unmistakable soft-feathered, brown, flightless bird with long thin neck and legs.
Behaviour They are opportunistically nomadic and may travel long distances to find food; they feed on a variety of plants and insects, but have been known to go for weeks without food. Females are usually larger than males.
Reproduction After mating, females leave the males to incubate up to 11 eggs for 56 days. At hatching, chicks are about 12cm tall, striped and stay with the males for 7 months for protection.
Habitat Emus live in most habitats across Australia, but most common in areas of open forest and savannah woodland.



NT Conservation Status

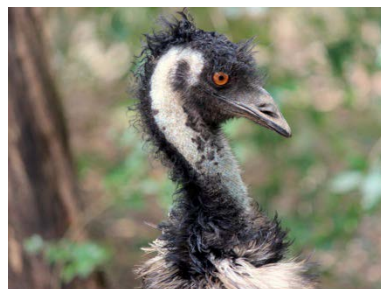
Extinct | Threatened | Least Concern

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Distribution

Threats

Feral Dogs Humans Fire Vehicles Feral Pigs



Head



Foot



Feather



Egg