

Australia, the Land Down Under



The Australian Koala



Even though the koala is often called a "koala bear", it's not a bear at all! It's a marsupial, a type of mammal that carries its babies in a pouch. The koala's main source of food is eucalyptus leaves. The baby koala, called a "joey", is born blind and hairless, and is the size of a jellybean. Koalas can live as long as 17 years.