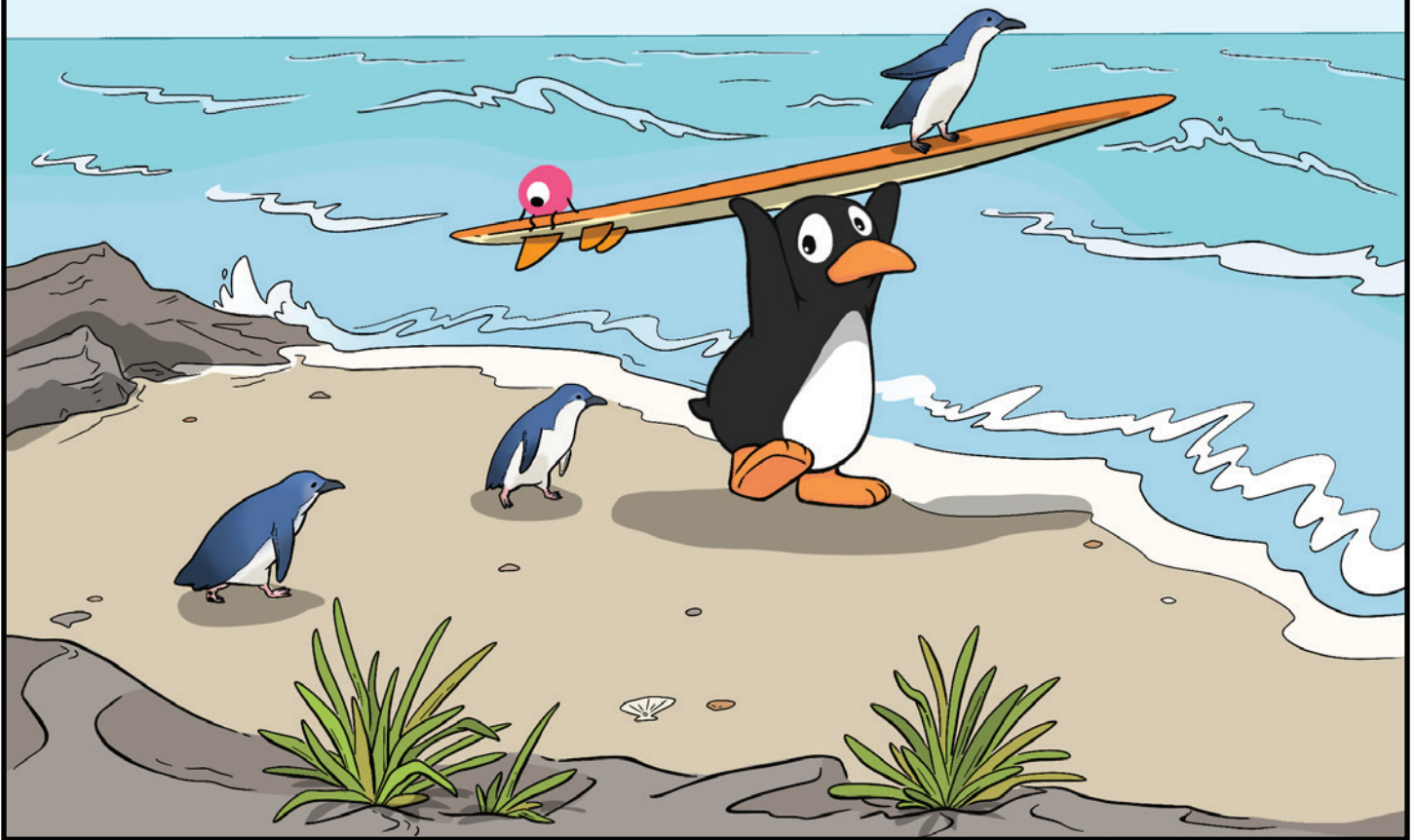


Little Penguin
Smallest Penguin



Record: Smallest Penguin

Range:

Animal name: Little penguin

Scientific Name: *Eudyptula minor*

Type of animal: Bird

Habitat: Coasts of Australia and New Zealand

Size: 12 in (30 cm) tall, 2 pounds (1 kg)

Status: Least concern

Facts: The little penguin got its name because it's the smallest penguin of all penguin types. Little penguins can spend 12 to 18 hours in the ocean each day eating small fish like anchovies and sardines. When a penguin chick hatches, it can't take care of itself, so the parents each take turns guarding the chick and hunting for food. When the penguins return to the shore from hunting all day in the sea, they parade back to their nests in large groups. Watching these penguin parades is a popular tourist activity at Phillip Island Nature Park in Australia.

