All About Bats

The Amazing World of Bats

Bats are interesting creatures.

Bats are shy and gentle animals. Some people are afraid of bats. That is usually because they don't know these facts about bats.

Bats are mammals

Bats are the only mammals that can fly. A mammal is a warm-blooded animal that has fur or hair on its body. Female mammals feed their babies milk from their bodies. A baby bat is called a pup.



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Bats are night animals

Bats are nocturnal. That means they sleep during the day and are active at night. Bats sleep hanging upside down. Most bats live in caves and trees. A bat's home is called a roost.

Bats are helpers

Most bats feed on insects. One bat can eat hundreds of insects in an hour! Without bats, those insects would eat crops that farmers grow.

Some bats eat fruits. They drop seeds in different places. That helps new plants grow.