

Meet The Animals

Our Emus- Penelope, Zeke and Abraham



Penelope, Zeke, and Abraham came to Diamond Forest Farm Stay from a farm in Maragret River when they were one week old. They were cute and fluffy and stripey. They are very curious animals, and very playful. If a car drives past their pen, they will race it. If someone stands outside their pen, they will all come over and look.

Every now and then, they will get the zoomies and race around their pen, jump up and down and kick out their legs. They are funny to watch. They also like being hosed down in summer. They will sit down and roll around in the mud and stick their feet in the air.

Did you know?

- Emus are soft feathered, brown flightless birds.
- They can reach up to 1.9 metres (6ft 3 in) in height.
- They are the second tallest living bird after the ostrich
- They can sprint at 48 km p[er hour
- They can go for weeks without eating, and drink infrequently, but when they do drink, they drink a lot.

- While the female lays the eggs it is the male that sits on them, hatches them and cares for the chicks.
- An emu egg is large and green, and takes up to 8 weeks to hatch.
- Emus make a drumming sound.

Our Secret

The only way to really tell a male and female apart is by the sound they make. Check out this YouTube link for the different sounds.

<https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?&q=female+versus+male+emu+sound&&mid=A1036FD4E6B46A131303A1036FD4E6B46A131303&&FORM=VRDGAR>