

MEET OUR ANIMALS

Introducing: Choppa the One Eared, Red Kangaroo



Choppa, our one eared, red kangaroo, came to Diamond Forest Farm Stay as a very young joey. He had been involved in an accident with a B-double semi-trailer truck while he was still in his mother's pouch. Because he was in his mother's pouch he was protected from a lot of injuries but he was still injured. He had lots of scratches and grazes and his tail and ear were badly damaged. Choppa was found by another truck driver who took to a Vet. The Vets managed to save his tail but not his ear, but they tidied it up so that it looked nice and neat.

Choppa is named after a famous biker, Choppa Reed, who had only one ear. The truck driver was unable to look after Choppa so he brought him to Diamond Forest Farm Stay. Choppa is a red kangaroo from the Port Hedland area. In Port Hedland area the dirt is red so Choppa would blend in to his environment.

Did you know?

- Kangaroos are the largest marsupial living on earth today
- Kangaroos use their tail like an extra leg
- Kangaroos find it hard to move backwards
- Red Kangaroos can live up to 22 years old
- Red Kangaroos can grow up to 7 feet tall.

Choppa's favourite foods are fresh green grass, watermelon, carrots and carrot tops, kale, apples, grapes, papaya, corn, cherries and healthy greens.

Our secret

Choppa has a specially built pen that he shares with Clancy, the orphaned grey kangaroo. Every morning the first stop on our daily animal feed is to go into the kangaroo pen and feed Choppa and Clancy. All of our guests can get up close to our kangaroos and give them a part. Just don't pat Choppa on his head. He's very sensitive about only having one ear!

