



SPINIFEX HOPPING-MOUSE

Scientific Name

Notomys alexis

Other Names

Dargawarra

Conservation Status

Extinct

Extinct in the Wild

Critically Endangered

Endangered

Vulnerable

Near-Threatened

Least Concern

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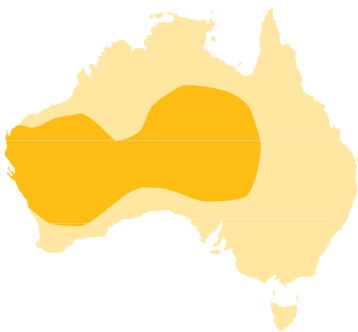


Body Length: 9.5–11.2 cm

Weight: 27–45 g

Gestation: 32 days

Number of young: 3–4



Distribution ■

Distribution: Central and Western

Australia

Habitat: Arid

Description

The Spinifex Hopping-mouse has a light brown coat with a grey-white belly. It has large ears and a long, brush-tipped tail that is 13–15 cm long.

Diet

The Spinifex Hopping-mouse is an **omnivore** and eats seeds, roots, shoots and invertebrates.

In the wild

They avoid the heat of the desert by sleeping in deep burrows during the day. At dusk, they come out to feed. Spinifex Hopping-mice will usually move around on all fours, however, they will hop around on their strong hindlegs to move fast.

Threats

Habitat destruction is a threat to the survival of the Spinifex Hopping-mouse.

At Perth Zoo

The **Nocturnal House** is the perfect place to see the Spinifex Hopping-mouse. Go on a Tiwest Night Stalk to see this small marsupial.

