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Extinct Animals

Extinction means a species has completely disappeared, with no living individuals remaining anywhere on Earth. Scientists confirm a species is extinct only after exhaustive surveys of its known range find no trace of it. Many thousands of animals have become extinct throughout history. The animals below went extinct in the last 400 years.

			
The dodo (Raphus cucullatus)	Caribbean Monk Seal (Neomonachus tropicalis)	Kuluwarri (Lagorchestes asomatus)	The great auk (Pinguinus impennis)
			
Falklands Wolf (Dusicyon australis)	Liverpool Plains striped bandicoot (Perameles fasciata)	Japanese Sea Lion (Zalophus japonicus)	The Chinese paddlefish (Psephurus gladius)
			
Big-eared Hopping Mouse (Notomys macrotis)	The aurochs (Bos primigenius)	The splendid poison frog (Oophaga speciosa)	Thylacine (Tasmanian Tiger)
			
Crescent Nail-tailed Wallaby (Onychogalea lunata)	The Desert Rat-kangaroo (Caloprymnus campestris)	White-footed Rabbit-Rat (Conilurus albipes)	Long-tailed Hopping Mouse (Notomys longicaudatus)
			
Desert Bandicoot (Perameles eremiana)	Steller's sea cow (Hydrodamalis gigas)	Indochinese Warty Pig (Sus bucculentus)	Lesser Mascarene Flying-fox (Pteropus subniger)

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1. The dodo (Raphus cucullatus): A flightless bird native to Mauritius that went extinct in the late 17th century.
2. Caribbean Monk Seal (Neomonachus tropicalis), also known as the West Indian seal or sea wolf, native to the Caribbean.
3. Kuluwarri (Lagorchestes asomatus), also known as the central hare-wallaby or Lake Mackay hare-wallaby, a small marsupial native to central Australia.
4. The great auk (Pinguinus impennis): A flightless seabird of the North Atlantic hunted for its feathers and meat until 1844.
5. Falklands Wolf (Dusicyon australis), also known as the warrah or the Falkland Islands fox, was the only native land mammal of the Falkland Islands.
6. Liverpool Plains striped bandicoot (Perameles fasciata), once native to the Liverpool Plains agricultural region in north-central New South Wales, Australia
7. Japanese Sea Lion (Zalophus japonicus) is an aquatic mammal that became extinct in the 1970s.
8. The Chinese paddlefish (Psephurus gladius): A giant freshwater fish from the Yangtze River lost around 2019.
9. Big-eared Hopping Mouse (Notomys macrotis) lived in the Moore River area of south-western Australia.
10. The aurochs (Bos primigenius). The large wild ancestor of modern domestic cattle, extinct since 1627.
11. The splendid poison frog (Oophaga speciosa): A Panamanian amphibian last recorded around 2018.
12. The thylacine (also known as the Tasmanian tiger, Tasmanian wolf, or marsupial wolf): A marsupial carnivore from Australia, Tasmania, and New Guinea that died out in 1936.
13. Crescent Nail-tailed Wallaby (Onychogalea lunata), also known as the worong.
14. Desert Rat-kangaroo (Caloprymnus campestris): no individuals have been recorded since 1935, and the species is presumed to have died out shortly thereafter.
15. White-footed Rabbit-Rat (Conilurus albipes) was originally found in woodlands from Adelaide to Sydney.
16. Long-tailed Hopping Mouse (Notomys longicaudatus). It was found only in Australia.
17. Desert Bandicoot (Perameles eremiana), an extinct bandicoot of the arid country in the centre of Australia.
18. Steller's sea cow (Hydrodamalis gigas): A massive marine mammal from the Bering Sea hunted to extinction by 1768.
19. Indochinese Warty Pig (Sus bucculentus), also known as the Indochinese warty pig or Vietnam warty pig. Date assessed extinct: 01 March 2016.
20. Lesser Mascarene Flying-fox (Pteropus subniger), known as a rougette to early French travellers, is an extinct species of megabat.

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