

# Why do nocturnal animals like the night?

Nocturnal animals usually need their ears more than their eyes. We think a wood is quiet at night. But nocturnal animals listen for small sounds

### Where can we see them?

Nocturnal animals live in many different parts of the world. They usually prefer woods and other quiet places.

You can see nocturnal animals in many zoos. Their rooms are dark and quiet during the day. At night they turn the lights on to help them sleep!

### Are hedgehogs nocturnal?

Yes, <u>hedgehogs</u> sleep during the day. They also hibernate from November to March. You don't usually see them in the winter or during the day.

Other nocturnal animals include foxes, snails and owls.

# What are the biggest nocturnal animals?

The Aye-aye is the biggest. It is a lemur found in the forests of Madagascar.

#### And the smallest?

The smallest animal in the world is the 'bumblebee' bat.

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