[Barn Owl](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/barn-owl/" \o "Barn Owl) **:**

Barn owls are one of the most widely distributed [birds](https://a-z-animals.com/animals/bird/)found everywhere around the world apart from the polar and [desert](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/desert/) regions. Although this is the case, the barn owl population is more predominant in the Southern Hemisphere due to better climate conditions for the barn owl.  
  
Barn owls tend to measure between 25 and 40cm tall and adult barn owls can have a [wingspan](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-wingspan) of up to 110cm long. The wing span of the barn owl is however dependent on the [species](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-species) of barn owl so some owls may be smaller, where other [species](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-species) of barn owl may be much bigger.

# Barn Owl Facts:

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| [**Kingdom**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-kingdom)**:** | Animalia |
| [**Phylum**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-phylum)**:** | Chordata |
| [**Class**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-class)**:** | Aves |
| [**Order**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-order)**:** | Strigiformes |
| [**Family**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-family)**:** | Tytonidae |
| [**Genus**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-genus)**:** | Tyto |
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| [**Scientific Name**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-scientific-name)**:** | Tyto Alba |
| [**Type**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-type)**:** | Bird |
| [**Diet**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-diet)**:** | Carnivore |
| [**Size (H)**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-size)**:** | 25cm - 45cm (9.8in - 18in) |
| [**Wingspan**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-wingspan)**:** | 75cm - 110cm (30in - 43in) |
| [**Weight**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-weight)**:** | 300g - 550g (10oz - 19.4oz) |
| [**Top Speed**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-top-speed)**:** | 80km/h (50mph) |
| [**Lifespan**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-lifespan)**:** | 5 - 10 years |
| [**Lifestyle**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-lifestyle)**:** | Solitary |
| [**Conservation Status**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-conservation-status)**:** | Least Concern |
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| [**Colour**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-colour)**:** | Black, White, Grey, Orange, Brown |
| [**Skin Type**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-skin-type)**:** | Feathers |
| [**Favourite Food**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-favourite-food)**:** | Small mammals |
| [**Habitat**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-habitat)**:** | Open plains and low-lying woodland |
| [**Average Clutch Size**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-average-clutch-size)**:** | 4 |
| [**Main Prey**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-prey)**:** | Small mammals, Fish, Birds |
| [**Predators**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-predators)**:** | Fox, Raccoon, Wild dogs |
| [**Distinctive Features**](https://a-z-animals.com/reference/glossary/#jump-distinctive-features)**:** | White heart-shaped face and large, dark eyes. |