

FRIEND, FOE, FOOD

Sort the animals into the boxes which best describe their relationship to the Wopilkara.



Sheep



Cat



Fox



Snake



Rabbit



Grass



Berries



Lizard



Kangaroo



Succulent

FRIEND

- ◆
- ◆
- ◆
- ◆
- ◆

FOE

- ◆
- ◆
- ◆
- ◆
- ◆

FOOD

- ◆
- ◆
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How do the 'friends' pose a potential issue for the Wopilkara?

In what ways do the non-native species on the list impact the Wopilkara?



Food Webs in the Australian Arid Zone



Food webs are a visual representation of the flow of energy in an ecosystem, from lower trophic levels (prey species) to higher trophic levels (predators). Connect the arid zone species shown on the next page with their predators, using arrows pointing from the prey to the predator. **Key note:** each species may have more than one predator or prey.

Here is a brief description of each species:

Species	Scientific name	Size	Diet
Bladder Saltbush (shrub)	<i>Atriplex vesicaria</i>	Up to 1m in height	-
Sturt's pigface (succulent)	<i>Gunniopsis quadrifida</i>	Up to 1m in height	-
Red fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	45 – 90 cm / 2- 14kg	Omnivorous
Greater Stick nest rat (Wopilkara)	<i>Leporillus conditor</i>	20 – 30 cm / 200 – 450g	Herbivorous
Feral cat	<i>Felis catus</i>	30 – 50 cm / 4 – 5kg	Carnivorous
Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	20 – 40 cm / 1- 2kg	Herbivorous
Dingo	<i>Canis lupus dingo</i>	100 – 140 cm / 14 -19kg	Carnivorous
Woylie	<i>Bettongia penicillata</i>	30 – 35 cm / 1 – 1.3kg	Herbivorous
Wedge-tailed eagle	<i>Aquila audax</i>	80 – 106 cm / 2 – 6kg	Carnivorous
Sand Monitor	<i>Varanus gouldii</i>	120 – 150cm / 3 – 6kg	Carnivorous



Bladder Saltbush (*Atriplex vesicaria*)



Wopilkara (*Leporillus conditor*)



Wedge-tailed eagle
(*Aquila audax*)



Sturt's Pigface (*Gunnera quadrifida*)



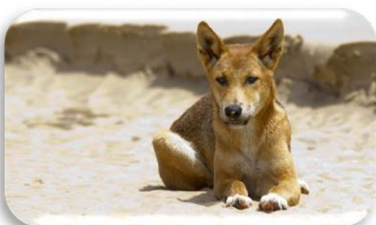
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