

Helmeted Honeyeater

Sweet Seekers



Habitat



Helmeted Honeyeaters are choosy birds that only live in swampy forests near creeks and rivers. There aren't many places like this left near Melbourne.

Shelter



Helmeted Honeyeaters build their cup-shaped nests in shrubs and sometimes trees. They collect bark, grasses and leaves and use spiderwebs to hold them all together.

Food



Sweet treats like nectar, honeydew and sap are some of the Helmeted Honeyeater's favourite foods. They also like to munch on small insects, spiders and native berries.

Protection



About 240 Helmeted Honeyeaters still live in the wild. Looking after their swampy forests and making sure creeks and rivers stay healthy is very important.

Care



Rangers, scientists and helpers care for the birds by planting native trees and providing extra food for them when there is not enough food in their habitat. How could you be a friend for wildlife?

Features

Helmeted Honeyeaters:

- Have a bright yellow helmet of feathers
- Have black cheeks and bright yellow ear tufts
- Use their long tongue like a paintbrush
- Are as tall as a birthday card
- Weigh about the same as seven grapes!
- Sing and show off for each other
- Are a Victorian State Emblem

