**QUENDA**

**Common name: Southern Brown Bandicoot**

**Traditional name: Quenda/Kwenda**

**Scientific name: Isoodon obesulus**

The quenda is a medium-sized marsupial with a long pointy snout and a round body. Its fur is short and scratchy, and a dark grey-brown colour. It has little rounded ears with a lightly furred tail that is often shortened or missing altogether!

**Where do they live?**

Quendas are only found in WA, near the south west coast. They live in many national parks, including Yalgorup National Park, Avon Valley National Park, Nambung National Park, Francois Peron National Park, Thomson’s Lake Nature Reserve and Kings Park and Botanic Garden!

**Fun Fact**

Quendas dig cone-shaped holes when they are searching for food. If you notice these holes in your backyard or at your local park, a quenda is probably nearby!

**Can you spot any quenda tracks on your adventures?**

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