Antechinus Threatened Species Enclosure

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What is an Antechinus? Habitat, Appearance, Diet

The Antechinus Rat is a mouse size marsupial (has babies and keeps them in a pouch) that is currently endangered due to habitat loss and deforestation. They have the diet of a omnivore (eat plants & meat) and eat plants, cockroaches and little insects like flies and moths. Their tail is the same size as their body and they have bulging eyes and very fragile ears. They also have a pointy nose and gather their food during the day more than at night. They are found in rainforests, mountains and warm areas in Western Australia.

Did you know that the Antechinus Rat has very little in common with a rat
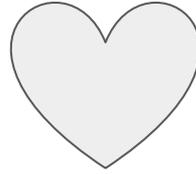
Why should the Antechinus Rat deserve to have a new home?

If you pick my animal to win, the beloved Antechinus Rat will get a new home because it's current home is filled to the brim with predators and the effects of the 2019-2020 bushfire season. This creature lives in trees and eats things from trees which in result from the bushfires at the beginning of the year they lost some food. I believe that if you pick my animal, my habitat that I created would affect the Antechinus rat in so many good ways because it will have a mix of all the things from its natural environment plus the good care from the staff of Featherdale Wildlife Park.

My new Habitat!

My module of an Antechinus' dream home will consist of a large river for them to drink water and a section with all of their prey and a rocky area, small pond and plenty of grass as they live on the mountains of Western Australia and lived in in rainforests, bushy areas and regular forest environment. They will live roofless to ensure they have plenty of fresh air and will live behind thin clear wall so they can see everything and they will have a small hole to sleep and potentially give birth with the much needed guidance of the staff.

My Presentation!

Do you want to save the Antechinus?