

Night Visitor

Protecting the eggs from unwanted visitors



Wildlife Observation Notes:

Keeping the eggs safe is a full time responsibility! Watch as the mother eagle protects the nest from an unwanted visitor at night.

Observe the eagles and answer these questions:

1. How do eagles sleep?

2. Based off the mouse's behaviours why do you think the mouse was in the nest?

3. What behaviours did the eagle have that show that it was a careful and protective parent?

Deeper Thinking

Some animal species are awake during the day and other animal species prefer to stay awake during the night. An animal's tendency to be nocturnal, or awake during the night, is instinctive. The mouse in this video was born with nocturnal behaviours in it's genetics.

Why do you think it would be beneficial for a mouse to have nocturnal behaviours? Why do you think an eagle is best suited for daytime activities? What was your impression of the night time deer mouse visit to the nest?

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