

Puffin Facts!

Puffins are seabirds that nest in holes in the ground on islands. Puffins have colorful bills that can hold many fish.

Mom and Dad puffins rub their bills together to show affection. This is called "billing".

Puffins will raise only one or two baby pufflings each year.

The family leaves the nest near the end of the summer.

People enjoy their clown-like behaviour and little stubby wings that must be flapped very hard for flying out to sea to get fish.

Though they are only distantly related to the parrots and penguins of the southern hemisphere, they are sometimes called sea-parrots.

Puffins stand 10-12 inches high and are related to the extinct Great Auk which reached heights of four feet!

Backwards pointing teeth in their colourful bills allow them to catch many fish at one time, to bring back to the 1-2 young pufflings waiting in the burrow.

Our puffin logo and the stage name Peter Puffin are modeled after the Atlantic Puffin. There are two other types of puffin found on the Pacific Ocean... the Horned and Tufted Puffins.

We must save a safe place, called habitat, with the food water and shelter that puffins need, so that we will always be able to appreciate these unique creatures!

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