

# Galapagos Penguin



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This is the only penguin species found north of the equator and in the Galápagos.

## **WHY THEY MATTER**

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Penguins are threatened by pollution, bycatch and climate change. Introduced species, such as dogs, carry diseases that can spread to penguins as well, and cats pose a threat as predators. Past strong El Niño events have caused mortalities of up to 77 percent, with dramatic declines of prey species and reduced breeding success.

