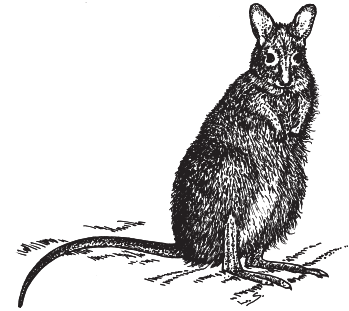


# Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park

## Mala activity sheet

Pitjantjatjara name: *Mala*

English name: Rufous hare-wallaby



### Mala facts:

- *Mala* belong to the kangaroo family and are one of the smaller macropods weighing around 1.5 kg
- *Mala* are extinct in the wild on mainland Australia, surviving only in captivity at Uluru-Kata Tjuta and Watarrka National Parks and Alice Springs Desert Park.
- The main reason *mala* are thought to have disappeared is from hunting by introduced cats and foxes.
- There is a captive breeding program for *mala* are at Uluru-Kata Tjuta and Watarrka National Parks in the Northern Territory.
- The *mala* are important to many Indigenous language groups and there are important sites at Uluru relating to the *mala*.
- The *mala* population at Uluru started off with 24 animals in 2005, and by 2012 there were over 200 animals.
- There are about 450 individual *mala* left in Australia.

## Mala cryptogram puzzle

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