

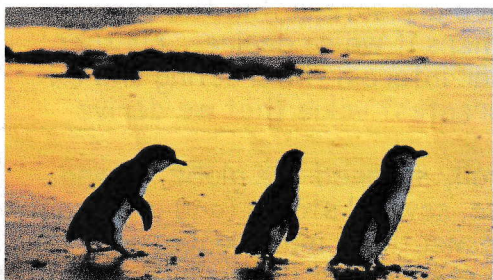
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Phillip Island Penguin Parade



Phillip Island is livestreaming its penguin parade every night.

It's a rite of passage for most visitors to Melbourne - make the two-hour drive down to Phillip Island and see Australia's largest colony of friendly, frolicking fairy penguins. For obvious reasons, we can't

visit those adorable penguins right now - but lucky for us, Phillip Island Nature Parks is making sure we can see those scurrying little creatures from home.

On Tuesday, August 25, Phillip Island Nature Parks started livestreaming the Penguin Parade across Facebook and YouTube. Everyone from around the world is able to tune in at 6pm AEST (that's 9am BST or 4am EST) and even ask the rangers questions in real time. (You can also use this internet link anytime to watch them).

<https://www.timeout.com/melbourne/news/phillip-island-is-livestreaming-its-penguin-parade-every-night-082420>

And if that isn't enough entertainment, A BBC sports commentator Andrew Cotter has hilariously narrated some fine-flipped antipodean animals - the Phillip Island's Penguin Parade. The Penguin Parade is a huge tourist drawcard for the island and the penguins are quite used to being watched (there are measures in place to keep the penguins safe while allowing people to watch). Cotter's commentary follows the wee penguins as they come ashore at dusk and waddle - at varying speeds - up the dunes towards their burrows. Like all sporting events, there are highs, lows and even (gasp) some potential cheating as the itty bitty sea chickens race towards home/ the finishing line.

You can get a good laugh using this address:

<https://www.timeout.com/melbourne/news/a-bbc-sports-commentator-has-hilariously-narrated-phillip-islands-penguins-051220>

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