

PBS Presents “Parrots In the Land of Oz”

See a variety of Australian birds in this PBS special

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A flock of wild budgerigars.

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A lorikeet perches in the wild .

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Thirteen/WNET New York, one of PBS's major producing stations, and its acclaimed series Nature, alights with the parrots in the land down under when “Parrots In The Land Of Oz” premieres January 27, 2008 on PBS.

Across the Australian continent — from the arid outback, to gum tree county, to snow-covered mountains — an array of colorful and energetic parrot species thrive amid the varied climates. Nature tracks down the tiniest of all, the fig parrot, as well as the rare golden-shouldered parrot, the spectacular palm cockatoo and many others.

Follow scientists in the field as they uncover the birds' clever mating games and survival skills. But the parrots' resourcefulness is rivaled by their rowdiness, which causes problems with local farmers.

Available in high-definition, Parrots in the Land of Oz premieres Sunday, January 27, 2008 at 8pm (ET) on PBS.

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