

1. Ducks have three eyelids. The top and bottom as well as a third that is found on the side of the eye. It is clear and acts much like goggles.
2. Duck feathers are waterproof.
3. Ducks never get cold feet as they don't have blood vessels in their feet.
4. Ducks are monogamous during breeding times but as soon as it's over, the ducks are out of there and on to something bigger and better.
5. Donald Duck's full name is Donald Fauntleroy Duck. This was established in the 1942 Donald cartoon "Donald Gets Drafted" where we see a close-up of his draft card.
6. Ducks that eat from the land or surface of the water are called "dabbling ducks". They eat grass, aquatic plants, worms and small mollusks.
7. The male Mallard or wild duck has a bright green or blue head but they lose this coloring at the end of each breeding season to blend better with their surroundings for nest sitting.
8. "Duck" is the common name for waterfowl of the family "Anatidae", which also includes geese and swans.
9. There are three groupings of ducks: surface-feeding (such as mallard, wood duck, and black duck); diving ducks (such as canvasback, eider, redhead); and fish-eating ducks (mergansers).
10. Surface feeders take wing (fly) straight up, but divers take off with a "running start" along the water.
11. At the time of the "postnuptial molt", ducks temporarily lose their power of flight.
12. In 2004, Donald Duck was honored with the 2,257th star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.
13. Donald Duck won an Oscar for his anti-Nazi cartoon Der Fuehrer's Face - won the Academy Award for Best Animated Short Film.
14. There are 12 types of ducks - Dabbling, Diving, Eider, Goldeneye, Merganser, Perching, Scoter, Sea-Duck, Stiff-tail, Teal, Whistling-Duck and Domestic.
15. Ducks Unlimited was started in 1937, works in all 50 states and has conserved more than 12 million acres of waterfowl habitat across North America.
16. It is illegal to walk across the Minnesota/Wisconsin border with a duck on your head.
17. Donald Duck's parents are Hortense and Quackmore.
18. Donald Duck's name in his Italian comic strips is Paolino Paperino.
19. The original voice of Donald Duck was provided by Clarence "Ducky" Nash who went on to voice Donald Duck in over 120 shorts and films over the next 50 years before giving way to Disney artist Tony Anselmo.
20. Most male ducks are silent and very few ducks actually quack. Instead, their calls may include squeaks, grunts, groans, chirps, whistles, brays and growls.
21. A hen will lead her ducklings up to a half mile or more over land after hatching in order to find a suitable water source for swimming and feeding.
22. Queen Elizabeth II is reported to have in her bathroom a rubber duck, wearing its own crown.
23. Each summer, Kansas City, MO hosts a Duck Derby where 15,000 rubber ducks, adopted by participants, are dropped into Brush Creek and race (with the help of fire hoses). The winner receives prizes such as a Volkswagen or Harley-Davidson motorcycle.
24. Donald Duck first appeared in 1934.
25. Ducks have very good vision and see in color.
26. What Jimmy Buffet song specifically mentions the Peabody Ducks? Math Suks.
27. Stuttgart, AR hosts the World Championship Duck Calling Contest every Thanksgiving. More than 60,000 people attend the festival. First held in 1936 and had 17 contestants with first prize worth \$6.60, today has six divisions and the prize package worth more than \$15,000.
28. Biggest duck egg in the world was laid in Ireland on the farm of Willie and Kitty Costello. Queen Maeve, a Peking, laid a white whopper measuring 8" in diameter, setting a new world record. She is also the luckiest duck in Ireland, as the news saved her from the Christmas roasting pot.
29. Donald Duck comics were banned in Finland because he does not wear pants.
30. There is a duck in Argentina that was named "The Argentinian Vampire Duck". This duck has the habit of picking off lice from other ducks; Christian missionaries apparently thought that was some form of vampirism.
31. Ducks are precocial, which means that ducklings are covered with down and able to walk and leave the nest just a few hours after hatching. The same can be said of a child after a good old feather pillow fight.
32. There are species of ducks found worldwide on every continent except Antarctica.
33. A duck's bill is specialized to help it forage in mud and to strain food from the water. A hard nail at the tip of the bill helps with foraging, and a comb-like structure on the sides of the bill strains small insects and crustaceans from water.
34. Ducks have been domesticated as pets and farm animals for more than 500 years.
35. All domestic ducks are descended from either the mallard or the Muscovy duck.
36. The Oregon Ducks refers to the sports teams of the University of Oregon.
37. Duck spelled backwards is "kcud", which means absolutely nothing.
38. What do you get when you cross a flock of ducks with a herd of elephants? I don't know but you better take cover when they fly overhead.
39. It is a myth that a duck's quack won't echo. This has been conclusively disproved through different scientific acoustic tests, and was even featured as "busted" on an episode of the Discovery Channel show Mythbusters.

40. Ducks are very social and suffer if they don't have companionship. If ducks have been raised alone they start to believe they are part of the flock that is around them. This means that if a duck is raised by a human they start to believe they are human.
41. Dabbling Ducks tip themselves face first into the water (so you see their bottoms pointing into the air) and filter water through their beaks to harvest food from the beneath the surface. This is called dabbling.
42. The word Duck comes from an Old English word meaning "diver".
43. A male duck with bright orange legs and feet indicates he is eating right and getting all of his vitamins. Female duck see this as a very attractive trait to pass on to her offspring.
44. One way to determine the sex of a duck is to look at the duck's tail. If there is a distinctive feather that is curled down, it is a male.
45. Ducks float because they are waterproof. They have a gland that lets out oil and when they preen themselves they spread it all over their feathers and makes them waterproof. Without this oil ducks would drown.
46. The blue-winged teal duck is one of the first ducks to migrate each fall and one of the last to head north in the spring. It migrates the longest distances of any duck, as far as Peru. It is the third most common duck in North America, the only continent in which it breeds.
47. Do ducks mate for life? No, they stop for food and shelter.
48. The Duck Palace measures 24 x 12 feet and features granite flooring, ceiling fans, a scale replica of the hotel, a fountain decorated with a pair of bronze ducks, a large viewing window for guests to view them, and cost about \$200,000 to construct.
49. The Peabody claims the duck tradition began in 1933. However, this tradition may have started earlier. A pre-1915 postcard highlights the ducks playing in the fountain. One source says it goes back to the hotel's opening in 1869.
50. Stars who have held the honorary title of Duck Master at The Peabody Hotel in Memphis include Florence Henderson, Emeril Lagasse, Joan Collins, Paula Deen, Larry King, Oprah Winfrey, and Molly Ringwald.
51. What was Donald Duck's house number and his license plate number? Why? M is the thirteenth letter in the alphabet. "M.M." for Mickey Mouse results in 1313, his house number. His license plate number is 313.
52. What is a clutch? The total number of eggs laid by one bird during one nesting session. What is a brood? The total number of hatchlings, or ducklings in a clutch.
53. As of Fall 2010 how many people were listed in the white pages as having the last name "Duck"? 3,473.
54. As father in the comic strip, Drabble doesn't like ducks. His family tells him that their pet duck, Bob, is a rare South American parrot that takes on the characteristics of a duck for survival in the wild.
55. The largest duck in the US is 20' tall, 30' long, and 15' wide. The "Big Duck" was built of concrete by a Long Island farmer in 1931. The most famous example of roadside architecture, it is on the National Register of Historic Places.
56. Angel Wing, or Slipped Wing, is a disease that strikes ducks and geese. One theory is that it is genetic. The other major theory is that it is caused by too many cabs, sugars and proteins.
57. Researchers found that the Pekin Duck can stay under water 82% longer than the Canada Goose because the duck's respiratory system is larger and more efficient in conserving oxygen.
58. Waterfowl, like ducks and geese, are unusual among birds in that the males have phalluses and most other birds do not.
59. In 2007 biologists found that female ducks have some built in defenses, such as their oviduct contains several sacs and spirals to prevent unwanted penetration.
60. It is believed that Daisy Duck was born in 1920 in Duckburg, making her a remarkable 92 years old.

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