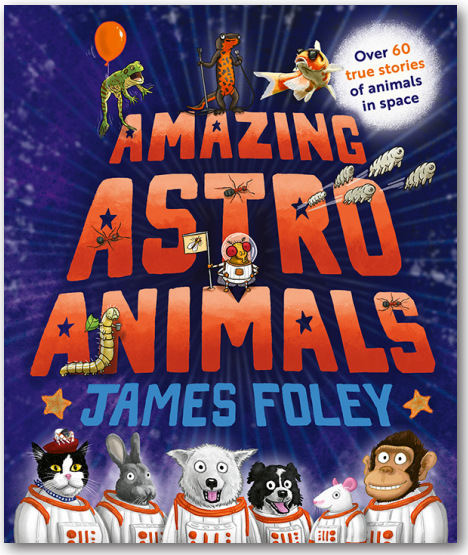
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AMAZING ASTRO ANIMALS

by James Foley

Never before brought together in a single volume, these are the incredible true stories of the animals that have been sent to space.



ABOUT THE BOOK

Before humans ever left the planet, animals boldly went where no man had gone before. Even now, these unwitting test pilots and space travellers outnumber their human counterparts.

From the creator of the award-winning, bestselling picture book *Stellarphant*, comes a book about the truly amazing animals that have been rocketed into space. From microscopic tardigrades to a pregnant cockroach, from last-minute mutts to unhatched chicken eggs, these animals and their stories are weird, wacky and wonderful. Chock-full of extraordinary facts and fun, this is an absolute must read.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



James Foley is the author–illustrator of the picture books *Stellarphant* and *Bigfoot vs Yeti*, the S.Tinker Inc graphic novel series, and the illustrator of many other great middle-reader books, such as the Toffle Towers series. He is an award-winning author, with multiple honours from the CBCA, White Raven list, Aurealis Award, Premier's Book Awards and the Speech Pathology Australia Book of the Year Awards.

NOTES

- Our 2026 Australian of the Year is trailblazing space engineer, Katherine Bennell-Pegg who is inspiring STEM careers across the country.
- A first in children's literature, *Amazing Astro Animals* honours the many rodents, canines, insects and organisms who have contributed to interstellar research.
- A companion title to the award winning 2021 book and stage play, *Stellarphant*, this is a fully illustrated reference book for kids aged 6–10.
- The book is crammed with information presented in a format that is accessible, readable, funny and clever. Parents will love it, too.
- Space travel continues to be hugely popular, and there is a strong focus on it in our education system.
- Free teaching notes and activities are available from fremantlepress.com.au
- This title represents our commitment to publishing one high-end, non-fiction book for kids every year.

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