

Understanding Macaque Expressions



Feeling fearful and anxious

Fear Grin
Eyes open, mouth closed

Giving a warning

Baring Teeth
Eyes open, mouth open



Feeling tired and sleepy

Yawning
Eyes closed, mouth open



Macaques are creatures of habit



Just like us, they spend their day feeding, grooming and socialising as a family.



If in doubt, please call

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Please pass this message to your family
and friends to raise greater awareness
about our native wildlife

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LIVING IN HARMONY
WITH OUR WILD NEIGHBOURS
THE LONG-TAILED MACAQUE

NATURE RESERVE

FOREST FRINGE/PARK

RESIDENTIAL ESTATE

The forest provides enough food for macaques

Their natural diet includes insects, leaves, flowers and fruits. They also help to disperse seeds.



Macaques live at the forest edge

Being fringe animals, they will sometimes explore areas outside the nature reserve.



Let's do our part to protect this native species

Macaques are an important part of our natural heritage.

Feeding results in a surge in macaque population

They stop looking for natural food sources and their troop size could increase from 10-15 to about 20-50 per troop.



Macaques are attracted to plastic bags

As they associate plastic bags with food, use a backpack in parks and nature reserves instead.

Do not feed macaques

Vehicles have injured and killed many macaques waiting to be fed along the roads.



Feeding is an offence



Keep food out of sight from macaques

Harvest/conceal fruits on your trees. Do not leave food exposed and unattended as macaques are drawn to easy food sources.

Practice good trash management

Secure bins with bungee cords to make food waste less accessible.



Monkey-proof your home

Close doors, windows and secure any easy access into your home if macaques are nearby.



Co-existence can be achieved

Trapping and culling of macaques are not sustainable. We can live harmoniously with our wild neighbours if we adopt good practices.

OBSERVE WILDLIFE FROM A RESPECTFUL DISTANCE AND GIVE MACAQUES THEIR SPACE