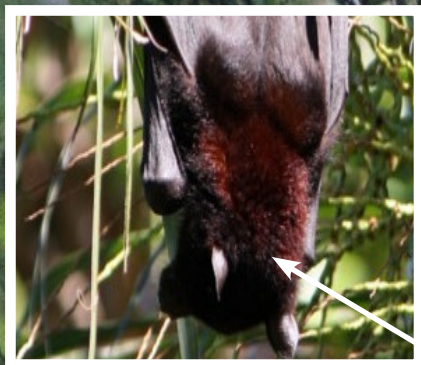


## Black Flying-fox *Pteropus alecto*

When to look:

*August to April at night  
when they are feeding*



Rusty-red or  
chocolate-brown patch  
at the back of its head  
and on its neck

No fur on its lower legs

Mostly black body

### *Similar species:*

Grey-headed Flying-fox  
(*Pteropus poliocephalus*):  
smaller in size, lighter in  
colour and has fur all the  
way down its legs.

Spectacled Flying-fox  
(*Pteropus conspicillatus*):  
has distinctive straw-  
coloured fur surrounding  
its eyes with varying  
amounts on its shoulders  
and head.

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