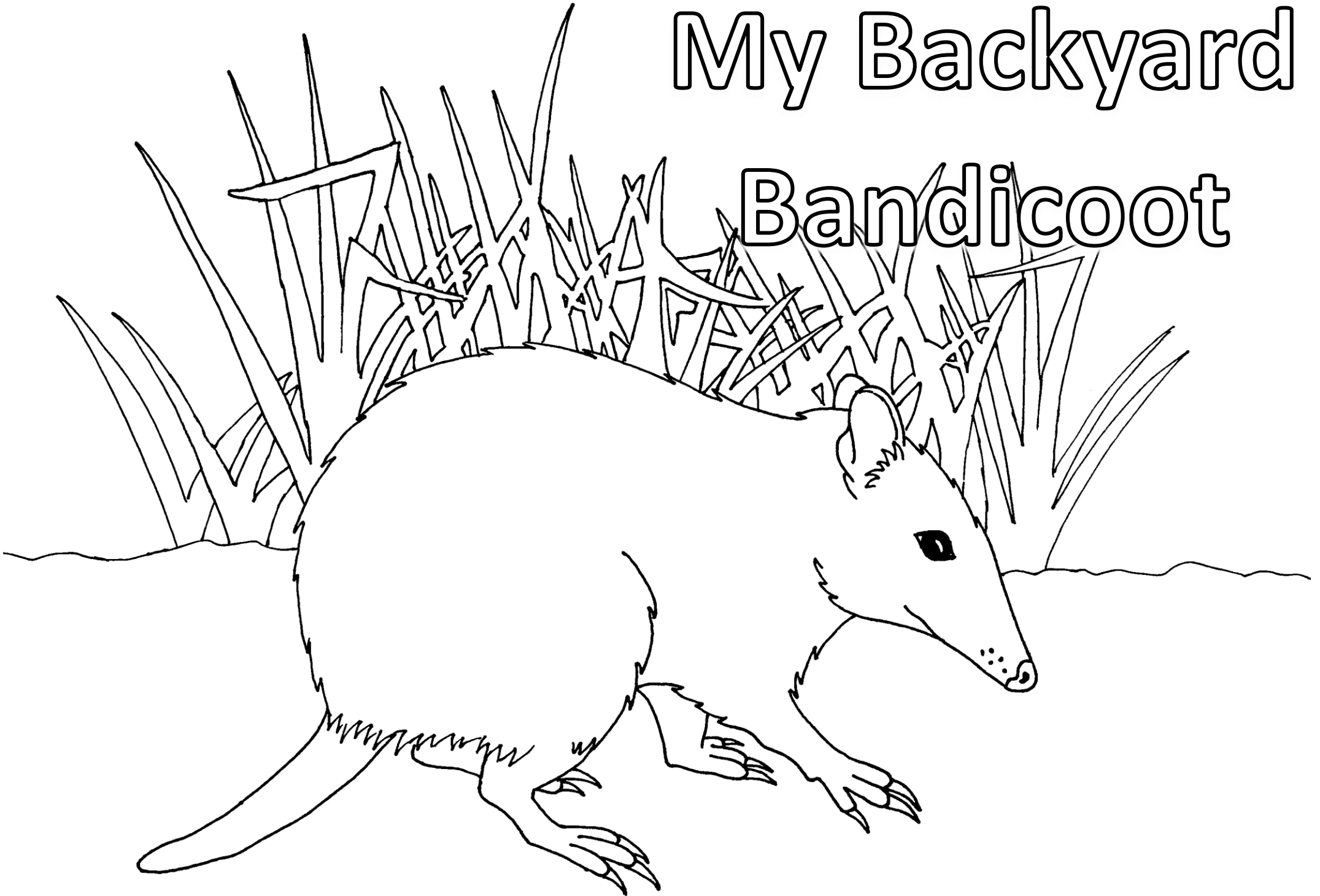


My Backyard

Bandicoot



Southern-brown bandicoot (quenda)

Scientific name: *Isoodon obesulus fusciventer*

Bandicoots live in the bush near you, and might even live in your backyard!

Bandicoots have a very important job to do...

They use their strong claws and long noses to dig in the soil to find food (they eat things like insects, plant roots, and underground fungi). Digging by bandicoots allows water into the soil and provides safe places for seedlings to grow. This helps keep the bushland healthy.

Bandicoots are scared of dogs and can be injured by cats. You can help look after bandicoots by keeping your dog on a lead and keeping your cat inside or in your backyard.



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