



## **EggMania — 30 Select Fun Facts**

- Astronomers estimate that there are between *200 to 400 billion* stars within the Milky Way Galaxy alone.
- Light from the sun travels at 186,000 miles per second and reaches the Earth in about eight minutes.
- Pagodas originated in Asia during the third century, and have tiered towers with multiple eaves.
- When flying, honeybees flap their wings approximately 11,000 times per minute, and that's what creates their buzzing sound.
- According to artifacts found in archeological digs near Babylonia, the earliest written recipes were inscribed on stone and date back to approximately 1600 BC.
- The Chinook is currently the US Army's largest transport helicopter and has a maximum speed of 184 miles per hour.
- The strawberry belongs to the rose family of plants and is not scientifically classified as a berry because its seeds are on the outside.
- Caviar is a delicacy, also known as roe or fish eggs. *Black* caviar is harvested from Sturgeon fish.
- The first Faberge egg was made in 1885 in St. Petersburg, Russia by Karl Faberge, a goldsmith and jeweler.
- The highest ocean wave ever recorded, a tsunami in Alaska, reached a height of 1,720 feet, which is almost 1/3 of a mile high.
- Easter Island, a World Heritage Site, is a South-Pacific Polynesian island and it is a territory of Chili.
- The yellow daisy grows super fast. After only 30 days of germination, one can measure around 3 feet tall.
- Chickens have more bones in their necks than giraffes do.
- Animals and fish have a keener sense of smell than humans do. For example, dogs have one million smell cells per nostril and those are 100 times larger than human smell cells.

- The sun is like a big anchor for Earth; its gravitational pull keeps all the planets of our solar system in orbit. If it weren't for the sun, planet Earth would simply fly off loose into outer space.
- To determine if an egg that's still in its shell has been cooked yet or not, give it a spin. If it wobbles, it is raw. If it spins easily, it's cooked, probably hard boiled.
- Ranking as the largest natural eggs in the world, ostrich egg shells are so strong that they are best opened with a hammer and a chisel.
- Chickens are the closest living relative of the tyrannosaurus rex, based upon similar protein sequences found in bone-sample remains of the now extinct dinosaur.
- Dolphins rest about 8 hours a day, but only half their brain sleeps at one time because they must stay conscious to breathe.
- The wave-like sound you hear when you hold a conch shell to your ear is merely the ambient noise from around you, which resonates inside the shell. If you were to hold the shell to your ear in a soundproof room, you would hear no sound at all.
- Starfish have one eye at the end of each arm, and they can grow a new arm, should they lose one in an underwater battle with a predator.
- The first recorded pantomime actor was Greek; yet, the most famous mime of all times was the French artist, Marcel Marceau.
- To find food, seals sometimes dive up to 1,000 feet to the ocean bottom and dig in the seabed.
- Bees have 5 eyes, one pair of compounded multi-faceted eyes and three simple eyes.
- Fear triggers a release of adrenaline which can make your hair stand on its end, your palms to sweat, and your heart to race.
- Camels can run up to 40mph in short bursts, and can sustain speeds of up to 25mph.
- The world's biggest supplier of eggs is China, who produces about half of the world's total, around 390 billion eggs each year.
- A fox's hearing is so sharp that it can hear a watch ticking 40 yards away.
- The longest chicken feathers in the world, measuring from 12 to 27 feet, come from the Japanese Onagadori.
- In cartoons, Xs are drawn instead of eyes to indicate the death of a character.