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OSTRICH – A LIFE ON THE RUN

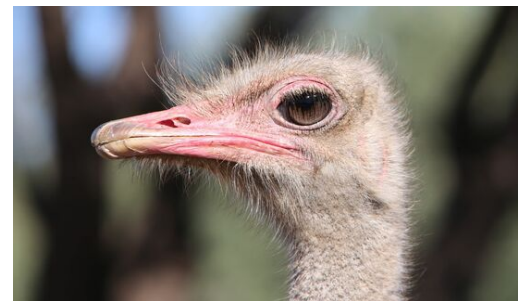
52' (ENG, GER)



This bird is really something special: it can neither sing nor fly – but it is able to run at a speed of 70 kilometres per hour, and can kill a man with a single kick of its powerful legs.

The ostrich is not only born to run – it is the largest living bird on earth: up to 2.5 metres tall and weighing nearly 150 kilograms, the males are truly impressive creatures. And they are great in many other ways, too: their eggs weigh almost two kilograms, with a volume equivalent to that of about 25 chicken eggs.

Although ostriches once roamed the open landscapes of Western Asia, today they are found only in Africa. We follow the remarkable life of the ostrich over half a year: during this time, the male will have danced his way to impress an array of females, battled potential rivals, and passed on his knowledge - prolonging the reign of these giant birds for many more years to come.



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