

FISHING BATS

I live in Santiago de Cuba, in the Caribbean. There are a lot of really cool bats in this region.

My favorite is the "fishing bat" - we call it the *murciélago pescador*.



Their bodies are only 10-12 cm long, but their wings are a meter wide! They have very long legs and they are about 75 g. The male bats have orange bodies and the female ones have gray bodies. They live in caves near the beach and they only come out at night. They fly fast and they can swim! They eat insects and they also eat small fish. They catch fish in the ocean with their long legs. They can catch 30 to 40 fish every night!

Local wildlife	
Region	¹ <u>The Caribbean</u>
Animal	English name: ² _____ Local name: <i>murciélago pescador</i>
Description	Bodies ³ _____ long 75 grams Wide wings (1 meter), long legs Males = orange bodies Females = ⁴ _____
Habitat	Cave near ⁵ _____
Food	⁶ _____, _____

Answer the following questions.

1. What is the article about?

- a. Santiago de Cuba.
- b. Wild animals.
- c. Fishing bats.

2. Where do they live?

3. Their wings are longer than their bodies.

True.

False.

4. What are fishing bats good at?

5. What do they eat?

6. How many fish can they catch?
