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Puffin Facts 2: Flight



The short wings of the puffin are ideally suited to graceful underwater 'swimming'.

The short wings of the puffin are less well adapted to flight and have to beat up to 400 times a minute to stay in the air.

Puffins have difficulty becoming airborne and tend to fly low over the ocean's surface.

They also seem to have trouble with the landing and often crash clumsily to the ground.