



# Aboriginal Culture Riann Transport

Aboriginal people use hollow trees to travel on water and it makes it easier.

The transport that Aboriginals use is not modern as you expected, but the way they transport is actually pretty useful for let's just say scouts. The scout found a big, pool of water. They need a boat so if they remember that Aboriginals use hollow trees to travel on water so they will find a hollow tree trunk and go across the big pond. Aboriginal people used their feet as a main transport as well as rafts, swimming and leafs.

## <u>Food</u>



The Aboriginals had a very healthy diet. They knew how to find foods that were *full* of vitamins and minerals.

The women were the main food gatherers and they would go out and search for seeds, vegetables, fruit and grubs. The men were in charge of hunting animals. They would hunt for kangaroo, lizards, snakes and goannas. To catch the animals they would use boomerangs, throwing sticks and spears. They would also get as much berries they can eat as possible.

The Aboriginals ate different foods depending on where they lived in Australia. Some parts of Australia had a wide range of plants and animals that the Aboriginals could eat. In other parts of Australia there was barely enough food to survive.

The Aboriginals that live along the coast would eat mainly fish and turtles. They would catch animals by using spears. Once the food was caught the Aboriginals would usually cook the food on a fire. Before cooking their meat they would wrap it in bark or leaves.

Aboriginals would eat possum as well. Bush tucker was also a common food that the Aboriginals ate.



#### **Clothes**

In the northern parts of Australia Aboriginal people rarely wore clothes and usually covered their bodies with paintings.

The aboriginal people would often use bark, grass and leaves to cover their bodies. The men would wear a riji and this was an item of clothing that went around their waist. It was tied together by grass and leaves.

In the cooler parts of Australia the aboriginal people would wear possum cloaks. These

were made by combining several possum skins together.

Most of the clothing consisted of animal skins. The skins were usually rubbed with fat and this provided extra warmth during the colder nights. Animal skin was also used as blankets and bedding.

The Aborigines did wear various kinds of personal ornaments such as arm and head bands, necklaces and bracelets. These were usually made from shells, bones, animal teeth and claws or bits of feather and fur. They would also have bark and vines

### **Shelter**

Most of Australia has a very hot climates and people often slept out in the in the open. To keep themselves warm at night they would sleep close to fires. Aboriginal people would use palm leaves, bark, rocks, dirt, wood and big caves.

#### **Music**

Aboriginal people would use sticks, didgeridoos, rocks, wood, and they would sing. They would use sticks to make sounds as well as stone which could make good sound like *sticks*, they would tap them together to make nice sounds. Didgeridoos make a good sound like a *now* item for music. Aboriginal people could sing like whistling and just regular singing.

