



Photo by Mike Dec

Wood Ducks

on hatching day

Wood Ducks are at home whether on the water, in trees, or flying through the sky. You might see the male with his dazzling plumage at a pond, or catch a glimpse of him and his mate high in a tree as they look for a cavity where she'll lay her eggs.

About 24 hours after the eggs hatch, the ducklings leap out into the world from their nest, which may be as high as 50 feet. If they don't make an aquatic landing, they bounce off the ground, then toddle after their mom to water.

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