

Did *you* know?



...Sea otter pups and adults have different coats.



The natal coat acts like a *life preserver*,



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keeping them buoyant on the surface.

2 Months



Age when pup sheds the natal coat and makes its first dive.

Pup "Natal" Coat

Adult Coat



• Fuzzy, dense

• Thick, dense

• Light-brown to yellow

• Dark-brown to black

• Silver head in older adults

Pups spend most of their time resting on mom's belly.



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