

# brood patch

## Definition

n. a highly vascular featherless area developed on the abdomen of certain brooding birds that is in direct contact with eggs during incubation and provides additional warmth

## Example Sentence

Male penguins have a featherless area of skin known as a **brood patch**.

## Synonyms

incubation patch; featherless area; area without feathers

## Antonyms

feathered area

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