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In this edition you will find the second part about Red-rumped Parakeets by Louis Bothma. As foster parents the Red-rumps have no equal. Providing housing for these parakeets is quite straightforward.

Kashmir Csaky explains about Respiratory Infections. The symptoms are different for upper respiratory and lower respiratory problems.

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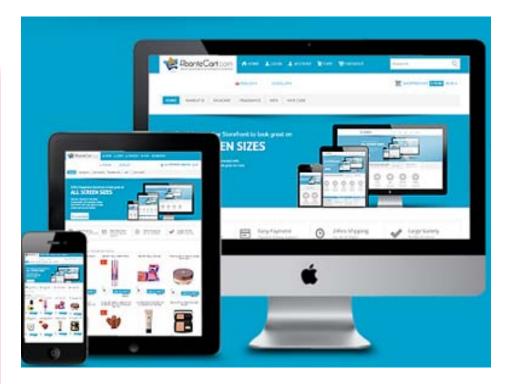
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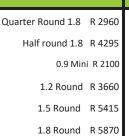
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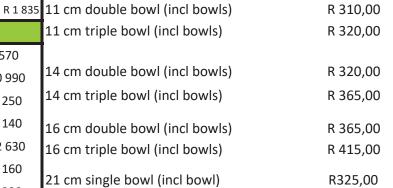
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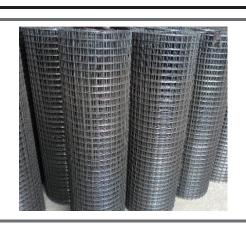
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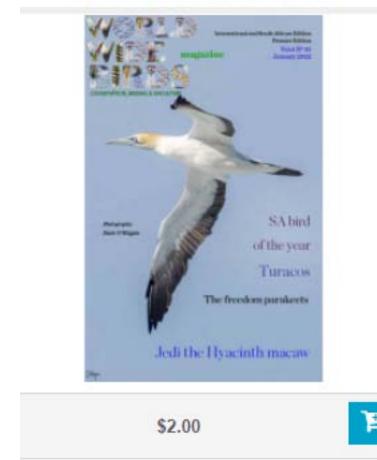
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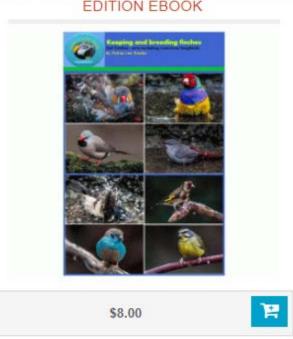
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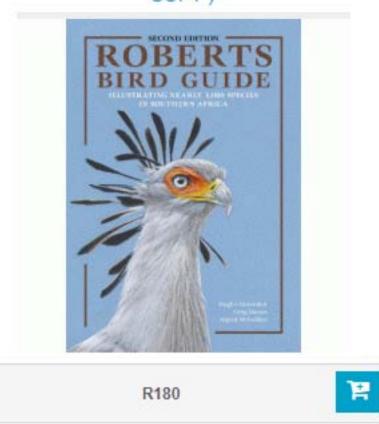


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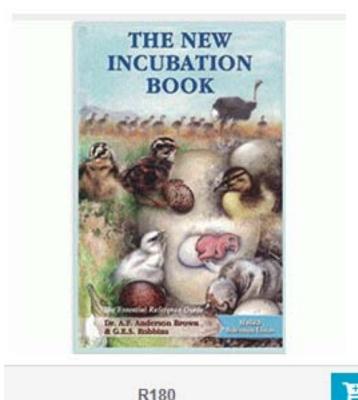
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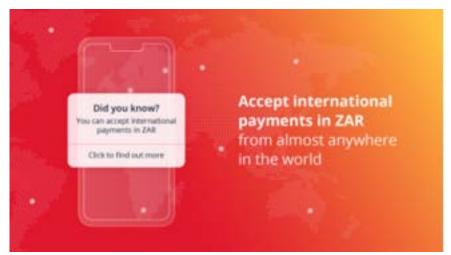
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by Hildegard Niemann

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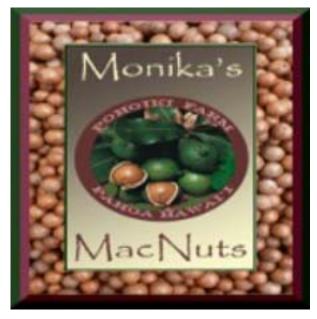
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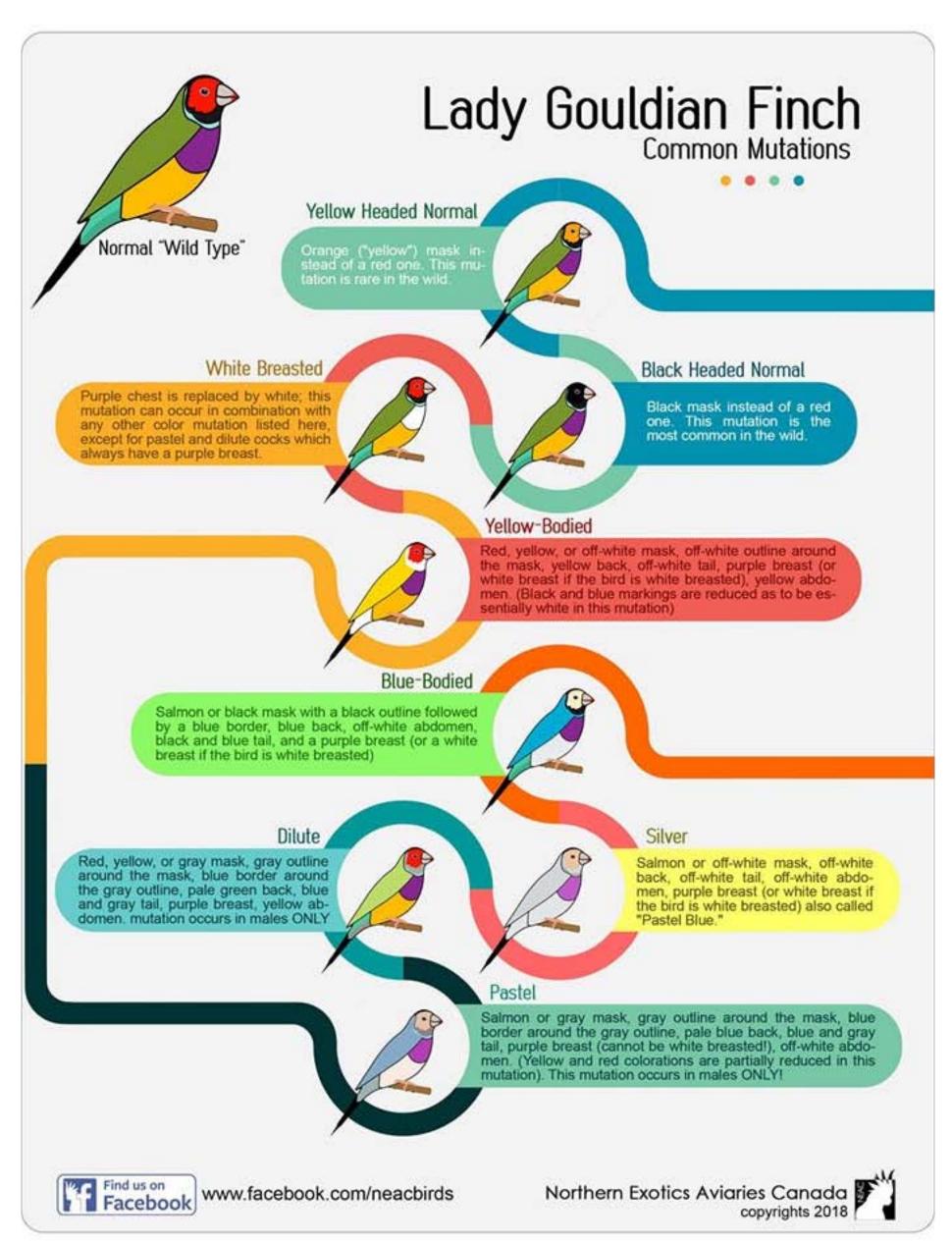




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Feather Tails Therapies Australia

By: Karen Davis

Hi guys.

Karen and Roy here from FEATHER TAIL THERAPIES. We have had to undergo a few changes and have also changed premises so lots of new and exciting things to keep track of.

Firstly our Deception Bay business has relocated to Murgon in the South Burnett region of Queensland Australia. We now have 20 acres of land to allow for plenty of upgrades and expansions as time goes on. We have also expanded from solely training therapy birds into a Sanctuary for the many unwanted parrots that need a new chance at life.



The most famous of these would be Jackson a Sulpher Cockatoo who had his wings permanently damaged by a dog at a young age.

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He also hates men. However with time and patience Roy's 15yr old daughter Tamie has become his human and is rapidly developing to become not just her therapy bird but the mascot of the new Sanctuary as well.



Our aged care visits were suspended due to Covid regulations however we still provide therapy birds to the aged care centres to keep the residents happy.

More news to come in subsequent editions so Thank you for your support and watch this space for further developments.

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Safari West Community Shoutout: Point Blue's STRAW Watershed Week!



In 1992, Laurette Roger's 4th grade class learned about the plight of the California Freshwater Shrimp, an endangered species only found in a few sections of stream in Sonoma, Napa, and Marin counties. They were sad about the disappearance of a unique form of life so close to home, and wanted to help. So, they formed the Shrimp Club: a student-led group aimed at educating the public, making connections with landowners, and restoring the waterways that these shrimp call home.

The Shrimp Club went on to be one of the most successful class projects in the state, raising more than \$100,000 over the course of a few years and protecting a large portion of California Freshwater Shrimp habitat! As the project continued to expand, it was picked up by two local non-profit organizations in 1998 and was renamed to STRAW: Students & Teachers Restore a Watershed. STRAW is now run by Point Blue, a conservation research and education non-profit based in Petaluma, California.

Since 1992, the Shrimp Club and STRAW have completed more than 750 watershed restoration projects over 42 miles of creek banks, empowering more than 300 teachers and 50,000 students to help conserve their local waterways.

Along with this amazing work, STRAW also hosts an annual workshop for teachers, called Watershed Week. At Watershed Week, teachers learn about a new aspect of local ecology and conservation education each year, and have the opportunity to network and share ideas with dozens of other teachers from around the bay area. Safari West's Conservation & Outreach Manager Marie and Conservation Writer Mark were given the opportunity to attend this year!

The theme of this year's Watershed Week was pollinators! It would be impossible to condense two days worth of fantastic information into a short paragraph, but here are a few of our favorite new things we learned:

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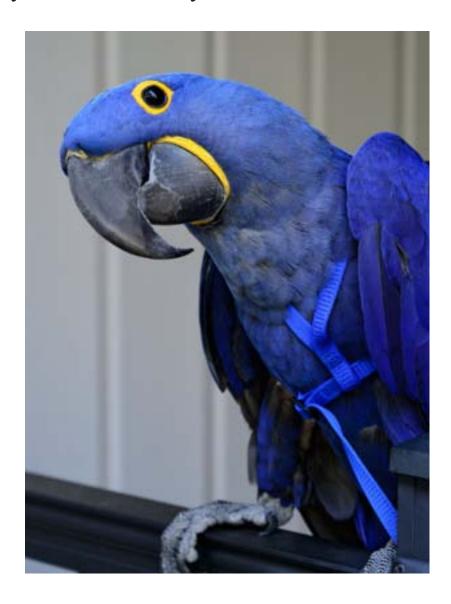




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Jedi - Part 12

By: Kashmir Csaky



October 14, 2022

On the 9th after I posted about Jedi we took her outside for some fresh air and sunshine. When we got to the end of our 300 foot driveway a car drove towards us. This was the first time she had ever seen a car. A huge loud monster with a half digested human in it. She was terrified! She flapped her wings, bit into my husband's shoulder, but not hard enough to do any damage and flatten herself next to his head. The three of us stood there like deer in headlights. The man in the car obviously wanted to ask us about her, but just asked if we had a view of the river. He said he lived nearby, yet the street said he lives is miles away.

He drove away and we put Jedi on the ground. It was one of the few times she had been on the ground outside.

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AVICULTURE

Beginning of the resting period for parrots

By: Rafael Zamora Padrón Scientific Director Loro Parque Fundación





Red-capped Parrot at Loro Parque Fundación. M.Pérez/LPF

At the end of summer in the European latitude there are many parrot species that have already finished their reproductive cycle. This is the case with the genus Psittacula. They seem to have a precise internal clock that makes them stop the breeding process synchronously in almost all species. Although there are always exceptions of a couple that seems to continue, they usually start the resting period.

A very important process that we remind our readers every year so that they give it the attention it needs. Knowing how to understand this pause is fundamental for the next season. The rest does not mean that we stop paying attention to them. On the contrary, we must use this time to change their diet and increase hygiene and start preparing for winter.

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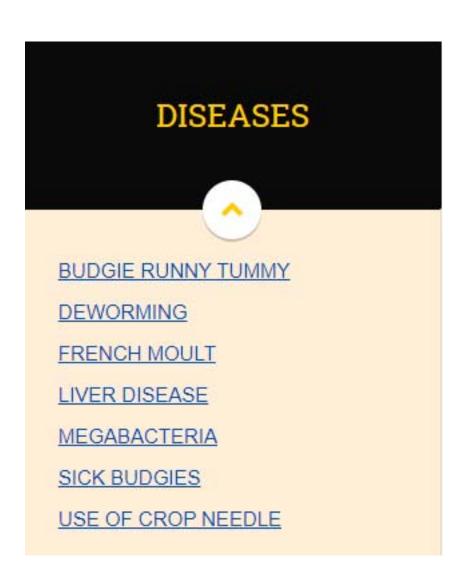
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Confusion may occur when nutritional knowledge is transferred between species: what is good for humans is not always good for birds. This article is not intended to be a complete guide to budgie feeding but aims to give budgerigar breeders more background so they are able to make informed decisions about their own aviary nutrition.

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By Dr. med. vet. Friedrich Janeczek, Veterinary practice limited to Parrots, Graefelfing, Germany

How do you recognize well-fed young Hyacinth macaws?

It is well known that the quality and composition of the diet for young birds affect the condition of their feathers, skin and beak. This can be seen particularly well in young hyacinth macaws. Poorly and unbalanced nourished young Hyacinth macaws have blackish, dull plumage and pale, sometimes almost whitish skin around the eyes and the lower beak.

The young Hyacinth macaw pictured here is approximately 7 months old and not fully weaned. It has bright blue and shiny plumage and perfect toe skin without hyperkeratosis. Its skin around the eyes is an intense yellow color.

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I travel a lot to visit our customers and their parrots to check and treat them at their homes. The specialized veterinary video consultations for parrots and parakeets we offer help a lot to get a first impression about the birds and their situation as well as the bird owners problems.

Some cases like nutritional issues can be already solved during the video consultation. However, most cases require thorough diagnostic and therapeutic measures, which I carry out in my veterinary practice limited to parrots at Graefelfing, Germany or as part of my home visits at the customer's location.





CITES BIRDS AVES

After downloading the full Index of CITES species, I came to the conclusion that this 1287 page document is not that easy to browse through. I then decided to make it easier for our readers and list them as follow with a photo from Wikipedia.

An easy explanation on the Cites website of what the listings mean:

https://www.cites.org/eng/disc/how.php

In summary:

Appendix I includes species threatened with extinction. Trade in specimens of these species is permitted only in exceptional circumstances.

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Laughing falcon Colombia and Ecuador Cites II



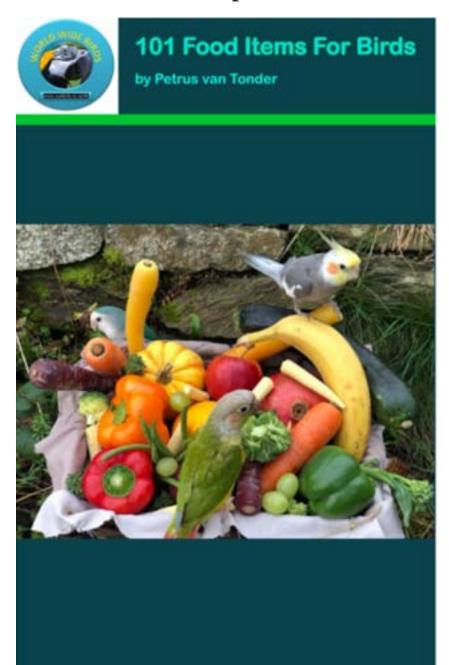
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Seabird Conservation

Seabirds (and waterfowl) are the only animals that have conquered the sea, land and sky. Over twenty species of seabirds live in the Caribbean, and many more visit every year.

Seabirds spend most of their lives on or over the sea, foraging, feeding or resting. They are highly adapted to this unique way of life. Many have webbed feet (to help them swim and dive), waterproofed feathers (to keep them warm and afloat), salt glands (that allow them to excrete the salt from the seawater they drink), and acute vision, a strong sense of smell and sharp bills (to help them find and catch food). Their long wings support them while travelling over the oceans in search of food and, on land, living in colonies helps to protect them from predators.

Before humans lived in the Caribbean (~7,000 years ago), the islands supported vast numbers of seabirds. On many islands, there were so many that their droppings (called guano) formed piles hundreds of feet high, and were mined for fertilizer. Today, tropical seabirds, like those in other areas of the world, are threatened by human activities. In fact, seabirds are now one of the most threatened groups of birds in the world. Many colonies are declining in size and some have disappeared.

On land, introduced rats, cats and dogs prey on eggs, chicks and even adults. In some parts of the Caribbean, humans still take eggs, chicks and adults for food and aphrodisiacs. Coastal development and sea level rise destroy and damage nesting habitat. Even the oceans are no longer safe. Seabirds often feed around fishing boats, and are caught and die in fishing gear. Overfishing, pollution and climate change have depleted their food sources. Hungry seabirds mistake floating plastic for food and fill their bellies with trash. Heavy metals from marine pollution also accumulate in their bodies.

Caribbean seabirds have much to teach us about the health of the seas around our islands. We need to understand their ecology, so we can protect them, their habitats, and the marine resource on which we all depend. Unfortunately, there have been only a few studies on seabirds in the Caribbean. This is partly because of the many practical difficulties in studying them, but they are also less attractive to funders than accessible land birds and migrants, and other mobile marine animals like sharks and turtles.

For most seabirds, the Caribbean is one large connected habitat. Therefore, it is important for scientists and conservationists across the region to work together to understand the big picture. This was first recognized in 1998, when we formed the Caribbean Seabird Working Group. Healthy seabird populations are possible in the Caribbean, but we must all work together to understand, manage and protect them.

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Game lodges in South Africa range from rustic bush camps that immerse their guests in the wild side of Africa to luxurious 5-star retreats that showcase the bushveld on a platform of opulence. South Africa is known the world around for its abundance of wildlife, not least of all its many birds. In fact, there is an established avi-tourism industry that invites birding enthusiasts from all over the world to indulge in top-class bird-watching.

SOUTH AFRICA AS A BIRDING HOTSPOT

Thanks to the abundance of excellent South African hotels and accommodation facilities, as well as an established transport infrastructure (including international car hire companies), South Africa is proving to be one of the world's top birding hotspots.

Visitors can join up with a formal birding tour group or can explore the country and its species on their own. Of the approximate 850 recorded bird species in the country, around 725 are resident birds (or, at least, annual visitors).

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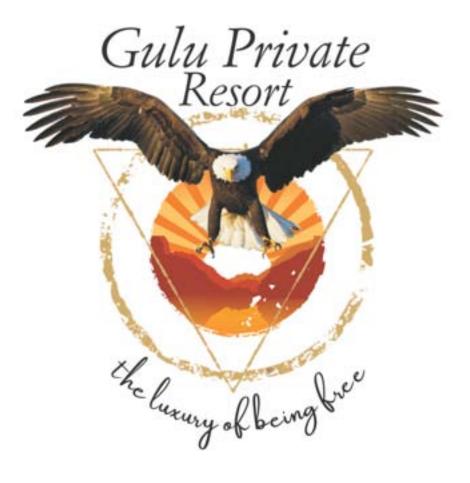
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By: Maria Elena Muriel

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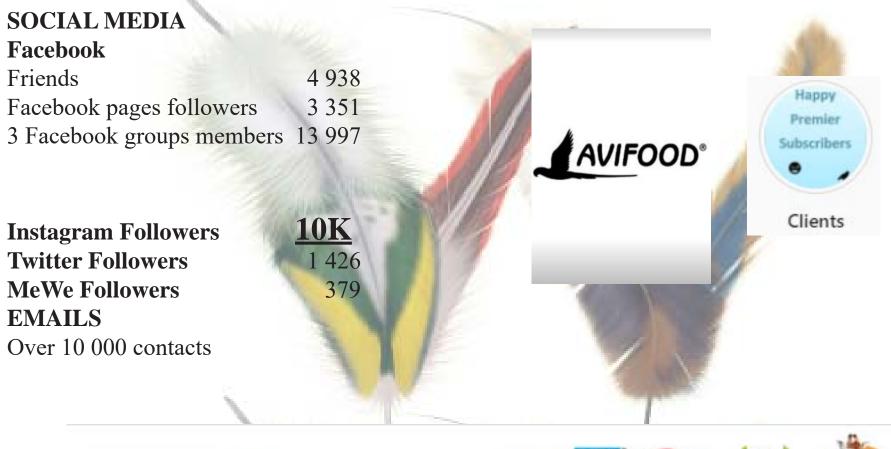
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Climb Every Mountain, Climb Every Tree

By Rev. Dr. LoraKim Joyner

Early September days in Karasabai, Guyana can have some rain and some heat, but not too much of either. What was abundant a few weeks ago were those who gathered to conserve the endangered sun parakeet. I journeyed to Karasabai with colleagues from the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the US Forest Service (USFS), which both support the parakeet conservation project.

The USFWS offers advice and substantial financial support through the agency's Caribbean Grant Grant Program (supported by USAID). The USFS lent us two experienced tree climbing instructors who work with the Puerto Rican Parrot Recovery Program. Our collaborative work is meant to help recover the sun parakeet, whose numbers in the wild may only be in the hundreds due to trapping for the wildlife trade.

It is a steep hill to climb to bring this parakeet back to a sustainable level. If anyone can do this, it will be the local parakeet rangers, and they'll do it by climbing every parakeet roost and nest cavity that they can. But first they have to safely learn how to do so, and this is where Jessica Ilse and Victor Prado-Marcano of the USFS enter the story. They led a 7-day tree climbing workshop in early September that provided the rangers with the necessary skills that will go a long way towards conserving the parakeet and will help other conservation projects in Guyana as well.

Their efforts, along with our supporters and the rangers, means that we can follow every rainbow till we reach our dream – that one day huge flocks of sun parakeets will fly free throughout their once wide range in Southern Guyana.

Climb every mountain Search high and low Follow every highway Every path you know

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Ford every stream
Follow every rainbow
'Till you find your dream

("Climb Every Mountain" from Rogers and Hammerstein's "Sound of Music")

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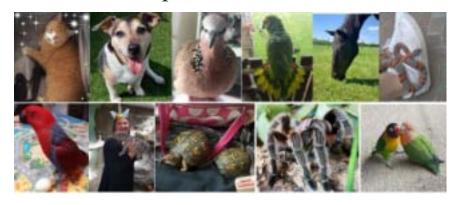
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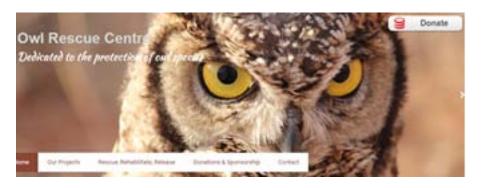
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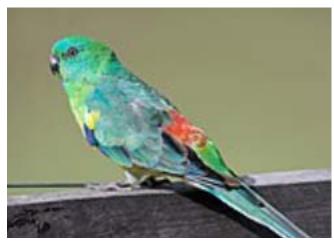
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