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I am honoured and extremely happy to have my photograph on the cover of an international magazine, World Wide Birds Magazine.

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Thank you, Albertus Van Tonder for featuring the African penguins.



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This month's main article is about the Moluccan King Parrot by David Dennison. The Moluccan King Parrot also called the Amboina King Parrot, and its subspecies are amongst the most colorful parrots in the world. Unlike the Australian King parrot and the Green-wing King parrot, where the pairs are sexually dimorphic, the male and female Moluccan King Parrot are very alike, and surgical or DNA sexing is recommended.

If someone were to ask me to suggest a bird that is inexpensive, pretty, relatively easy to breed and look after as well as becoming a good pet, I would immediately recommend the Cockatiel. Being one of the best birds for beginners, you will also find them in the most experienced parrot breeder's collections.

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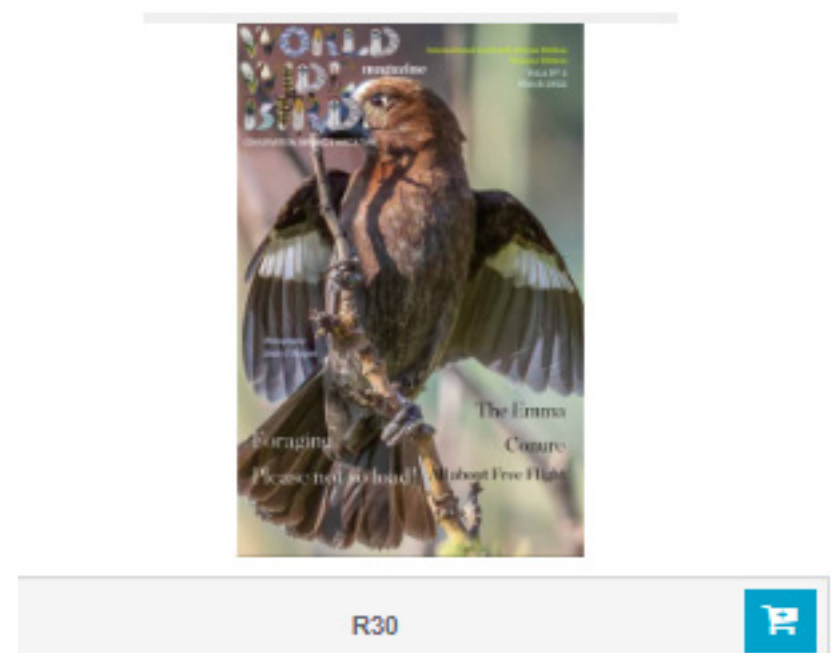
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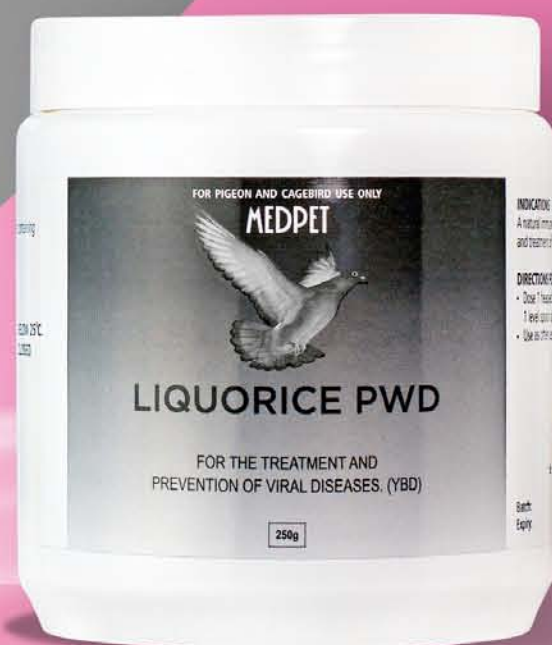
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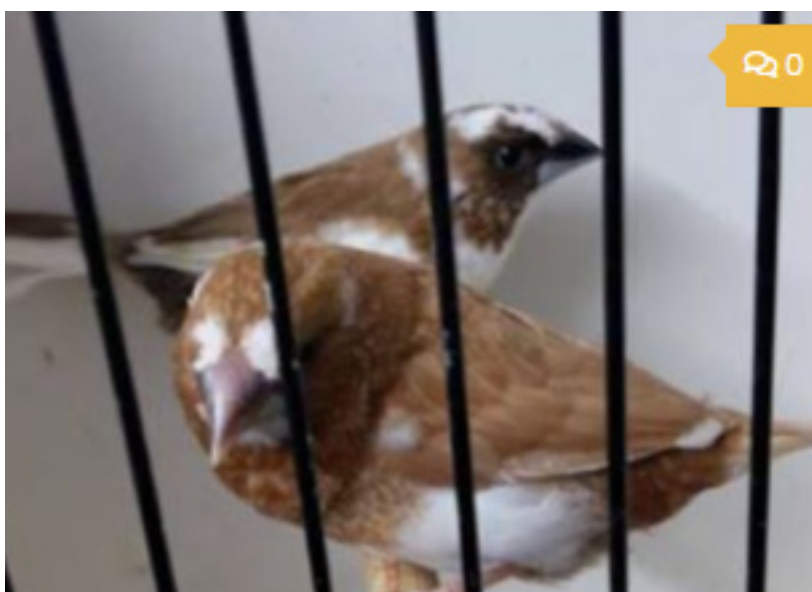
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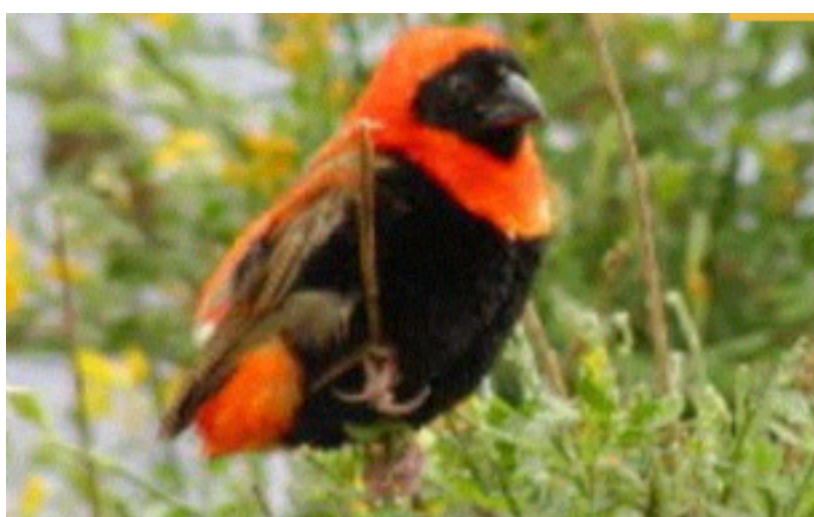
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By: Keriellen Lohrman

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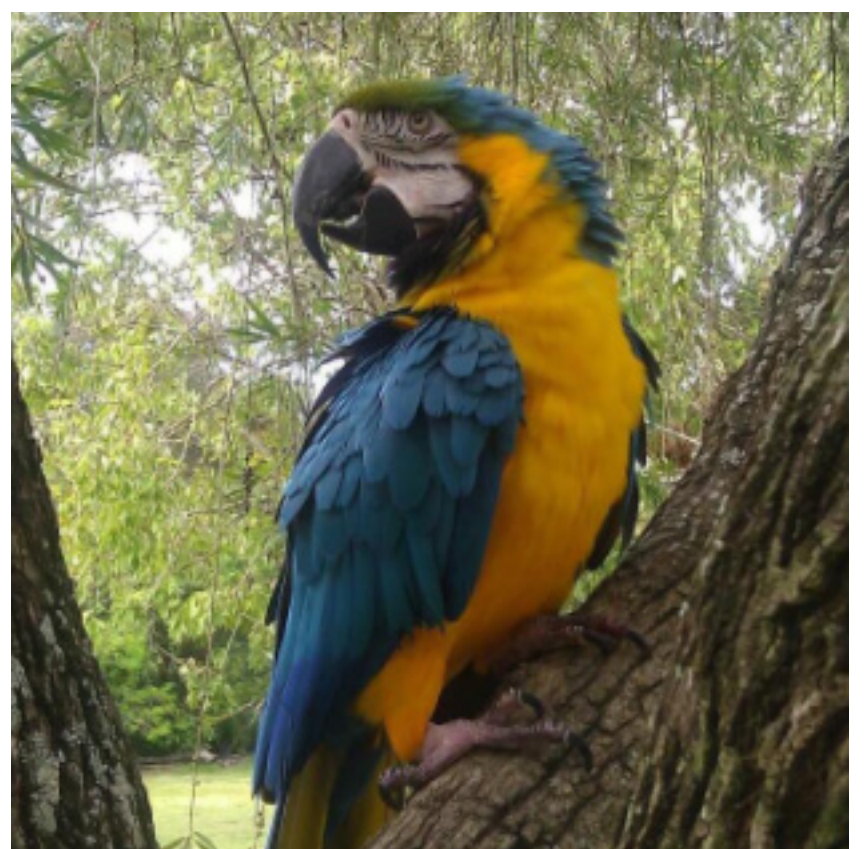
The individual bird's best interest and well being of the present flock will determine if a parrot is accepted into the organization. We actively support networking with other parrot welfare groups, animal welfare organizations, the veterinary community, conservation organizations and the general public. Education is of the utmost importance concerning the well being of a parrot and its ability to successfully live with its human companions.

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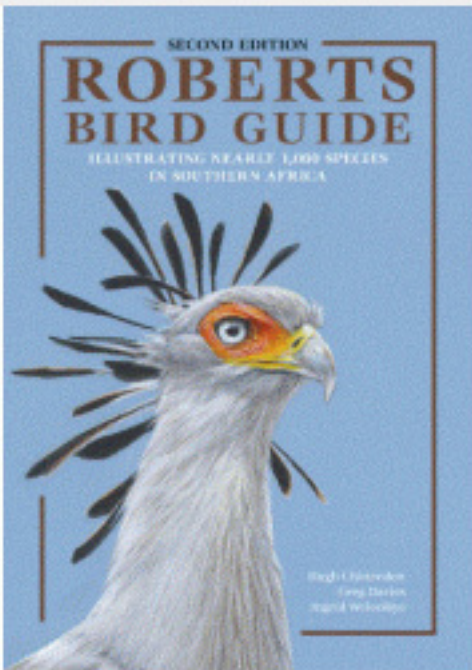
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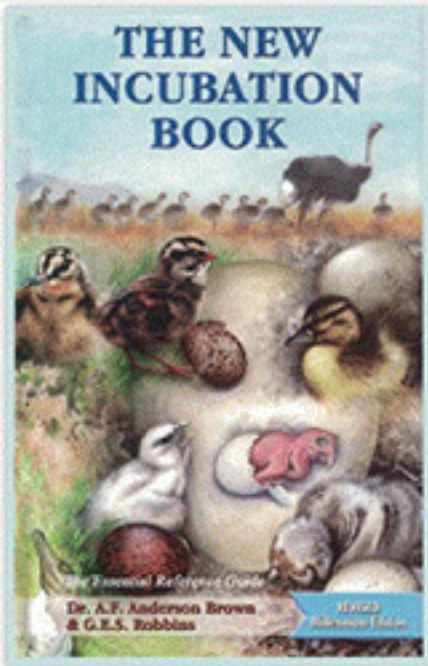
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Best regards,  
Dr Alison Bush

*Thank you so much Dr Alison. I am glad that your Dr friend is also reading.*



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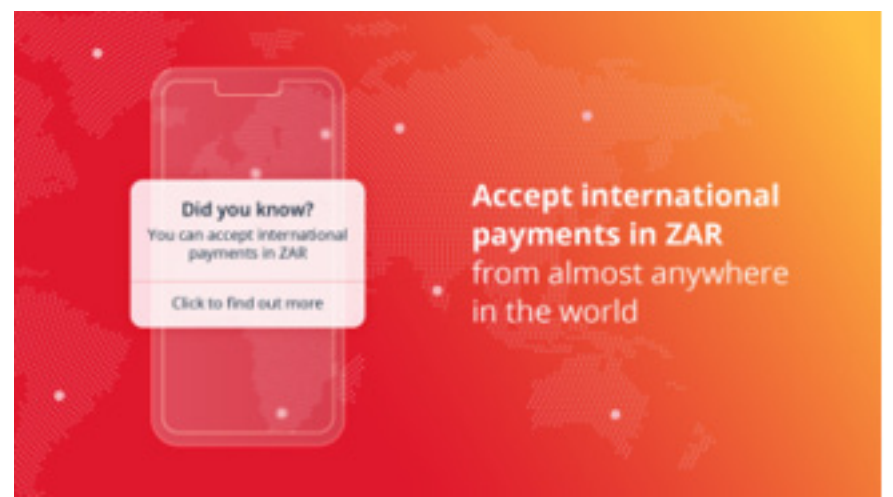
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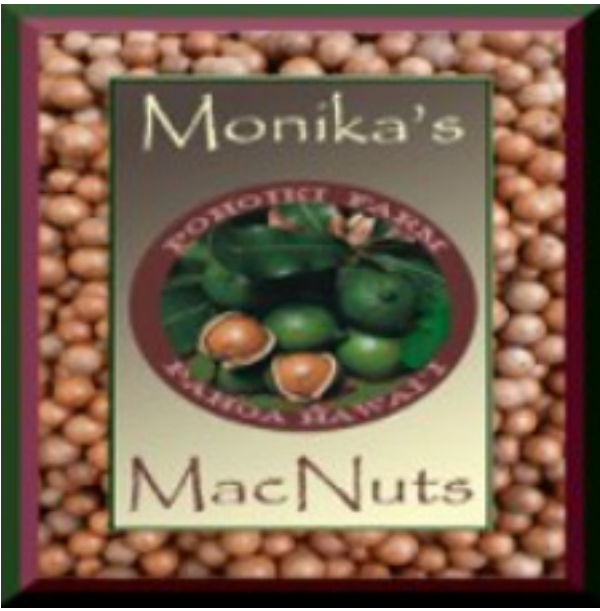
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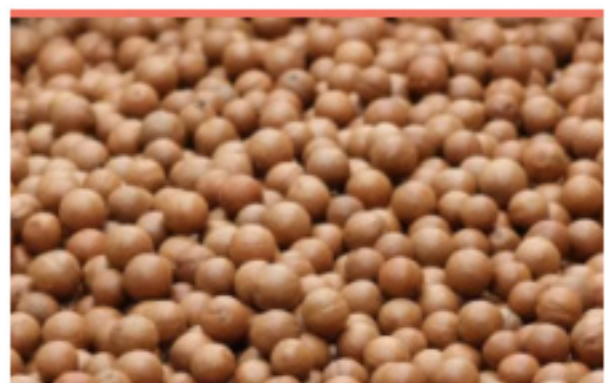
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These are a couple of our adorable customers Grover and Beaky!  
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# Feather Tails Therapies

## 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 Sulphur 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 Spotlight: Lesser Flamingo



Flamingos, in my opinion, are the most overlooked and under-appreciated of the exotic birds. Sure, they're beautiful and flamboyantly colored, but we seem to have become accustomed to, and perhaps even bored of the creatures. Most zoos around the country have at least one flamingo species in their collection and they're often positioned right near the entrance like long-necked bellhops welcoming you to the facility. I've visited lagoons across the country and while the birds have their fans, you'll never find a crowd at the flamingos like you will around rhinos, giraffes, or monkeys. I blame the lawn ornaments. Those plastic lawn decorations, lurching haphazardly from overgrown hedges and patchy lawns, have cost real live flamingos much of their gravitas and appeal.

But the familiar and under-appreciated flamingo is hiding an unexpected and amazing secret; one that goes far deeper than their startling plumage. The most amazing thing about flamingos is this: they are extremophiles.

Flamingos, left to their own devices, don't make their homes on lawns, or golf courses, or along the shores of pristine and idyllic ponds. They prefer to take advantage of the places the rest of us avoid. Like camels, penguins, and the giant tube worms that thrive near sulfur-spewing ocean vents, flamingos worldwide live their lives where most other creatures simply cannot.

Though all flamingo species are pretty extreme, the smallest of them, the species we call the lesser flamingo, is likely the most extreme of all.

The lesser flamingos at Safari West live an easy lifestyle in a clean clear pond with a steady supply of food and free security. Their wild cousins, on the other hand, live an altogether more unpredictable lifestyle and spend much of their lives flying from one water source to another in an unending quest for food. The wild birds must also contend with predators; primarily hyenas and Maribou storks (imagine a cross between a cartoon stork and a vulture and you're half-way there). One way they defend themselves from these opportunistic hunters is by hanging out in large flocks. Safety in numbers is a tried and true technique for many prey species.

Flamingos of all species flock and groups of several thousand are not uncommon. The lesser flamingos, however, take it to a whole new level. When they gather in the Great Rift Valley in East Africa (specifically in Lake Natron, their most famous watering hole), lesser flamingos can form super-flocks or up to a million and a half birds.

Continue at:

<https://www.safariwest.com/2017/04/safari-spotlight-lesser-flamingo/>





## Moluccan King Parrot *Alisterus amboinensis*

By David Dennison



Moluccan King Parrot (Mauli)

The Moluccan King Parrot, also called at the Amboina King Parrot, and its subspecies are amongst the most colourful parrots in the world. Unlike the Australian King parrot and the Green-wing King parrot, where the pairs are sexually dimorphic, the male and female Moluccan King Parrot are very alike and surgical or DNA sexing is recommended. With both partners being so colourful a pair in an aviary is a sight to behold.

The nominate species is found on the islands of Amboina and Ceram, while the other five subspecies are found on Indonesian islands to the west and east to the western part of New Guinea. In the rest of New Guinea it is replaced by the Green-winged King parrot.

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## Parrots need green food

By: Rafael Zamora Padrón  
Scientific Director  
Loro Parque Fundación



Alisterus eat green food at LPF M Perez

As every year in Loro Parque Fundación we insist to our readers on the importance of giving green food to our parrots before the breeding season. Curiously, there are many breeding centers that neglect this detail by forgetfulness and start giving it too late each season. And it is necessary to remember that although vegetables, greens and annual herbs can be given throughout the year, it is after the first rains of autumn and before breeding when this contribution is most important.

For parrots, “being well fed” does not mean having every day, every kind of varied supply. It is about having the possibility to consume necessary elements depending on the time of the year. This is why most psittacine species, if they receive, for example, red bell pepper every day, will refuse it during one season and inexplicably consume it in its entirety during other months.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is the natural budgie breeding season?

Budgies do not have a regular breeding or moulting season. In their Australian outback native stamping ground, they commence breeding whenever the rains bring about a growth of vegetation.

In captivity, budgies will breed best in the Spring and early Summer.

If the nests boxes are then removed, they will go into a heavy moult. Keeping the birds on a seasonal schedule is a good idea. This allows the Fancier the ability to plan ahead. Being in a regular cycle gives the bird's system a good pace at which to work.

### How long does it take for the eggs to hatch?

The eggs hatch in eighteen days from the time the hen starts sitting. This is important to understand. Hens don't normally have incubation temperature by the first egg. She may not sit until several eggs have been produced. So sometimes first baby will only appear at about 20 days.

Five eggs are average but larger clutches are not uncommon. The hen incubates the eggs and handles most of the initial feeding chores.

### Are any special foods required for nesting and rearing the young?

Protein supplement foods **MUST** be provided during nesting and the moult for optimum health. Many different nesting foods are on the market.

Cooked chicken egg serves the purpose. If you've a number of birds, place a whole hard boiled chicken egg, shell and all, in the food processor or blender. The bits of egg shell are a great source of calcium.

### What should I do if the father abuses his young?

Sometimes the cock will kill or abuse the chicks as soon as they come out of the nest.

If **ANY HINT** of trouble is observed, remove the young, if they are eating on their own, or remove the father. The hen should be capable of completing the job.



# Avifood Products

By Dr. med. vet. Friedrich Janeczek,  
Veterinary practice limited to Parrots,  
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## 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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An easy explanation on the Cites website of what the listings mean:  
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Your book is very interesting. I like that you added the latin names that everybody in all countries knows exactly which plant is meant.

The article from Tony Silva is absolutely informative.

Once again many thanks for the book.

Best regards,

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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.

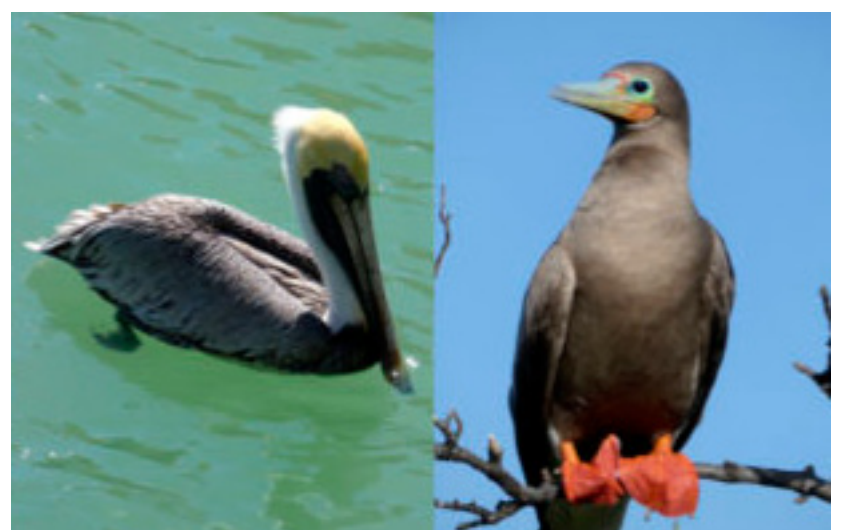
On land, introduced rats, cats and dogs prey on eggs, chicks and even adults. In some parts of the Caribbean, humans still take eggs, chicks and adults for food and aphrodisiacs.

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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## Meyer's parrot *Poicephalus meyeri*

### The identification of subspecies.

By Rinus van den Broek

#### *Poicephalus meyeri saturatus* (Sharpe 1901)



Figure 8: *P. m. saturatus*. ( Photo: R.v.d.B, 2018)

#### Species description:

- **Head, neck, and breast color:** Dark gray-brown, around the ear a bit lighter.
- **Back, wing and upper deck tail feathers:** Deep dark gray brown with an olive-green haze.
- **Belly color:** Light green with a blue haze, often slightly drawn by brown-gray feathers.
- **Head drawing:** Fairly large yellow cap, usually adjacent to the beak base. Often some yellow past the eye and on the cheeks.
- **Wing bend & lower deck wing springs:** Yellow, shape and size variable of the yellow shoulder spots.
- **Ears and under-tail feathering:** yellow-green, without blue haze on the vent feather.
- **Thigh feathering:** Yellowish green.
- **Rump:** Light blue, changing to the tail in green blue.

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**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.

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# Mexico

## Birding Los Cabos México

By: Maria Elena Muriel

### Endemic Birds In Baja California Peninsula bird-watching 7 endemics & many Subspecies in 7 days



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## General Information

Our groups are small:  
8 participants maximum

### Lodge:

Due nature of program we will stay in comfortable hotel Mexican Style with en-suite bathroom one or two beds , hot water shower, and air conditioning or a business class hotel.

### Departure & arrivals:

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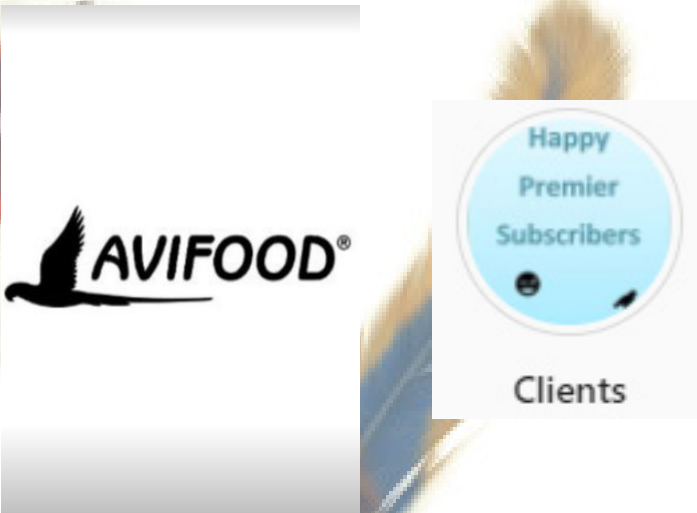
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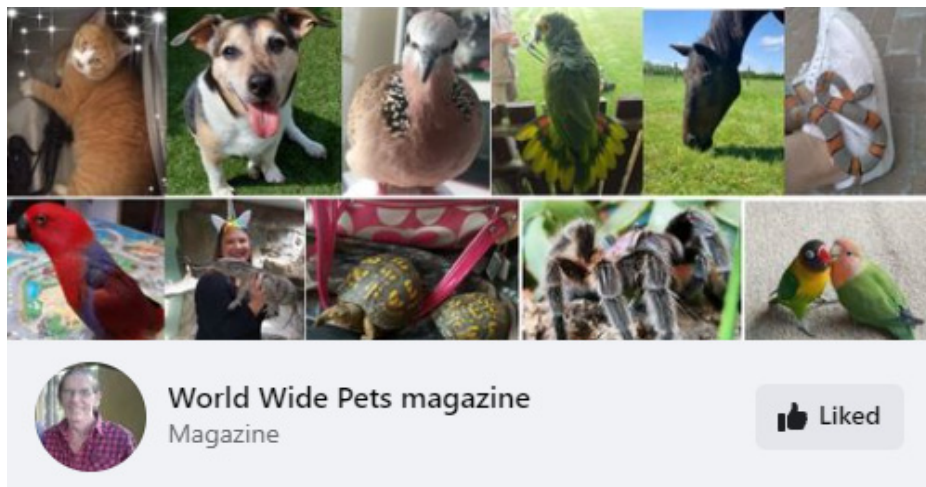




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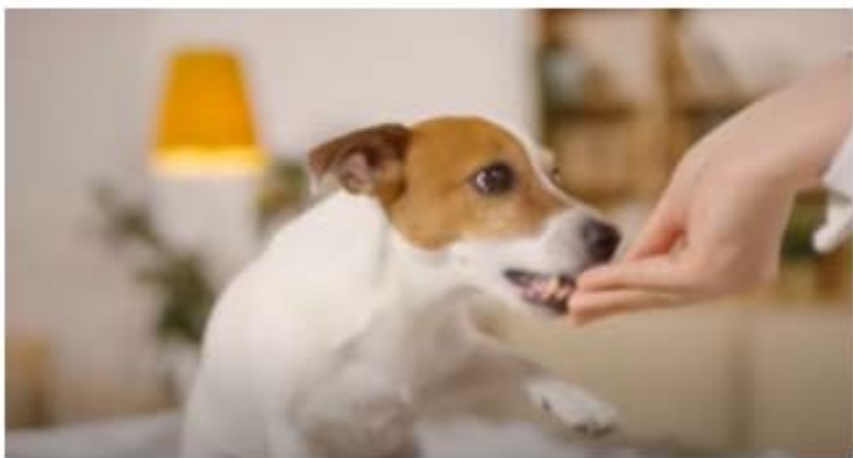


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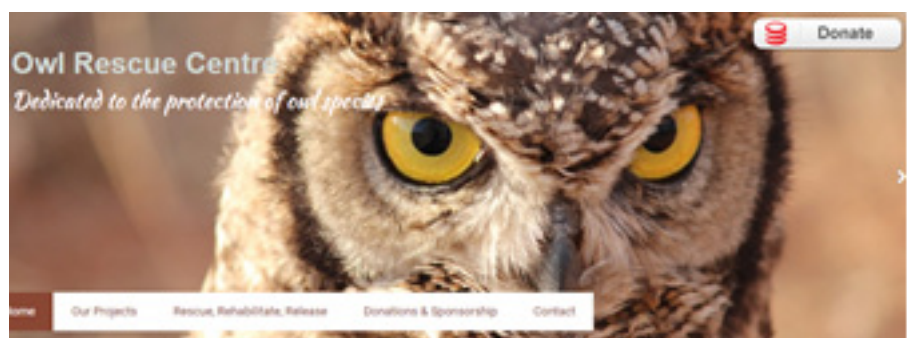
Seven Peacock rescues for the day. They’re incredibly tough little characters that don’t enjoy being “rescued”. When you attempt to catch them, they first drop their feathers, then spray poop all over you and failing that, they put up a huge fight. Apart from that, they’re just lovely



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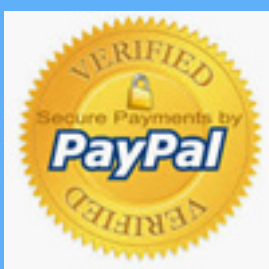
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