

## Hawk-headed parrot

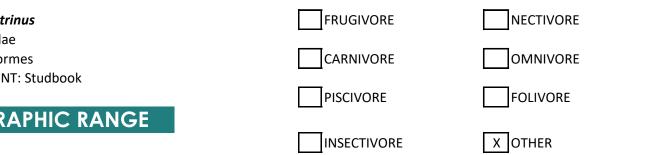
TEMPERATURE TOLERANCE



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From <u>50° F</u> to <u>90° F</u>

## DIET



Primarily a parrot maintenance pellet that is lightly supplemented with various nuts, seeds, fresh vegetables or fresh fruit.

🖑 LIFE EXPECTANCY			
Median Life Expectancy		Maximum Longevity	
Within AZA In the Wild	25 Unknown	35 Unknown	Q
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In the Wild	Unknown	Unknown	- <b>T</b>

Deroptyus accipitrinus FAMILY: Psittacidae

**ORDER:** Psittaciformes AZA MANAGEMENT: Studbook

## **GEOGRAPHIC RANGE**



NORTH AMERICA

X NEOTROPICAL

AFRICA

**AUSTRALIA** 

OTHER

# **A HABITAT**



DESERT

GRASSLAND

- COASTAL
- RIVERINE
- MONTANE
- OTHER

## **→**<sup>‡</sup> CIRCADIAN CYCLE

DIURNAL



- NOCTURNAL
  - OTHER

# **BREEDING INFORMATION**

## AGE AT SEXUAL MATURITY

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Males: 5 to 6 years

Females: 5 to 6 years

Incubation period: 18 to 22 days

Fledgling Period: ~12 weeks



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2 to 4 (commonly 2) white oval eggs, usually laid every other day

## COURTSHIP DISPLAYS

Allopreening, courtship feeding, flying in and out of nest barrel with crest erected, lots of vocalizations.

## NEST SITE DESCRIPTION

Cavity nesters: Non-treated wooden box measuring approximately 10"x10"x14" tall with a hole opening just large enough for the bird to fit through. Attach a prop on the outside of the box just below the opening. This will give them a place to perch where they can easily protect the nest box. Wood shavings can be used as substrate. It is also helpful to have a small latched door on the side for checking eggs or chicks without too much disruption.

#### 🔮 CHICK DEVELOPMENT

Altricial

## MARENTAL CARE

Both parents incubate and feed offspring

# CAPTIVE HABITAT

#### SOCIAL STRUCTURE

**In the wild:** Mostly found in pairs or family units, occasionally flocks have been documented up to 10 birds but his may be rare.

Within AZA: Pairs or pairs with non-sexually mature offspring. Once offspring are sexually mature they may have to removed. There have been a few single sex groups that have done well in human care if housed together staring at a young age.

Minimum Group Size: 1.1

## ✗ MIXED SPECIES EXHIBITS

Compatible in mixed species exhibits?



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**Comments:** Have been successfully housed with marmosets, tamarins, new world turtles/tortoises, iguana, and some perching birds. Housing with other birds is dependent on the size of enclosure and enclosure plantings.

## **OPTIMAL HABITAT SIZE**

10' x 12' x 8' high

MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES

None other than typical parrot chewing on props.

Maximum Group Size: see above.

# **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

These are unique birds in that they can erect their crest when excited. As juveniles they are playful and this playfulness has recently been observed with adults.

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