



Rewa Village Parrot Conservation



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History

Rewa Village decided in the 1990s to discontinue trapping of parrots, which is legal in Guyana. Since then, they have seen parrot numbers increase. To document the effectiveness of their parrot protection efforts they began parrot population and nest monitoring in 2018. This is a collaborative project between the Rewa Ecolodge, the village, One Earth Conservation, and Foster Parrots. The village developed methodology for counting parrots on rivers, which is now being used in other countries. They have accumulated 6 years of monthly population counts on the rivers, in the village, at the Ecolodge, and in farms. They have documented 20 of the 29 species of parrots in Guyana.

Who are Parrots?

There are approximately 400 species of parrots in the world. Some species can live to be over 100 years of age and have the intelligence of a 5-year-old child. They also name their children, eat a wide variety of food, and can fly tens of miles in a day. Most parrots nest in tree cavities, meaning that protecting trees is an important part of parrot conservation. In Rewa, the breeding season from macaws can extend from January – September.

Threats to Parrots in South America – A Parrot Crisis

Parrots are the most endangered group of birds in the world with 29% of all parrot species endangered. There are many threats to parrots in Guyana, and all over the world. In fact, there is a Parrot Crisis largely driven by the pet trade, although habitat loss, floods, wildfires, and agricultural expansion also contribute to decreasing populations.

What You Can Do

1. Do not trap, buy, or sell parrots and ask your neighbors and other communities to do the same.
2. Adopt parrots that need a home
3. Take good care of parrots already in captivity.
4. Preserve habitat and trees so parrots have places to safely nest, eat, and roost.
5. Share information about the Parrot Crisis far and wide.
6. Support ecotourism which offers livelihoods to conservationists



Common Names of Parrots Found Near Rewa:

Scarlet macaw
Red-and-green macaw
Blue-and-yellow macaw
Red-shouldered macaw
Red-bellied macaw
Mealy amazon
Yellow-crowned amazon
Orange-winged amazon
Festive amazon
Blue-cheeked amazon
Dusky parrot
Blue-headed parrot
Caica parrot
Black-headed parrot
Red-fan parrot
Painted parakeet
White-eyed parakeet
Golden-winged parakeet
Lilac-tailed parakeet
Dusky-billed parrotlet

