



Lesser Sulphur-crested Cockatoo



Cacatua sulphurea



One of the best known of the cockatoos, the Lesser Sulphur-crested Cockatoo is listed as Critically Endangered. There are sadly more of these birds in captivity than there are left in the wild!

One of the smallest of the cockatoos, the Lesser Sulphur-crested Cockatoo was once common throughout their range but are now almost extinct. Theft of these birds from their natural habitat as well as habitat destruction has almost wiped them out completely.

Although they have been kept as pets for a number of years, there is not a lot of information known about their habits in the wild. They breed well in the wild and captivity and can be found in many zoos around the world.

“Bruce” our male is the oldest bird we have at the park. We was donated to us in 2016, and was estimated to be at least 55 years old at the time. He had been owned by 3 different people, with reliable records dating back to 1965! Like all parrots they are very intelligent and demand a lot of attention.



Lifespan: 70 Years

Weight: 350 g

Size: 33 cm

Breeding Season: Sep - Dec

Incubation Period: 27 Days

Number of Chicks: 2 - 3

Diet: Seeds, Nuts, Buds, Fruits & Grains

Problems They Face: Habitat destruction, theft for the illegal pet trade.

Conservation Status: Critically Endangered – CITES APP II