

Red-throated Conure

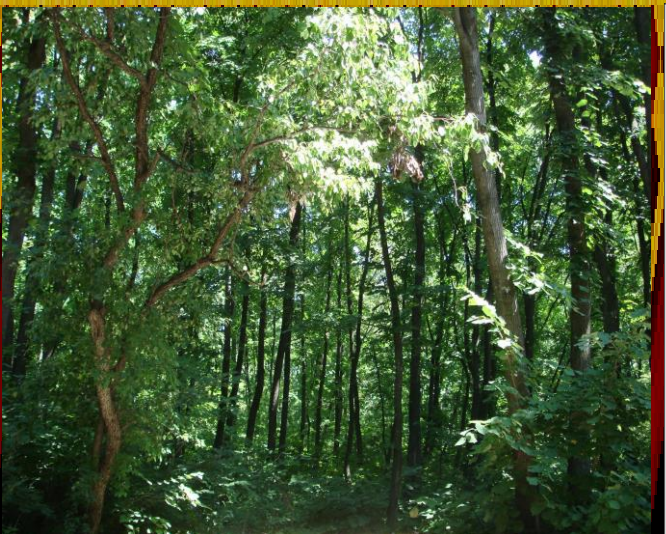
Aratinga rubritorquis



Found in the highlands of Eastern Guatemala, South through Honduras to Northern Nicaragua, the Red-throated Conure is often considered to be a sub-species of the Green Conure.

Although frequently seen and common in some areas of their range, there is not a lot of information about the Red-throated Conures habits in the wild. Apparently they are little affected by habitat destruction but are affected by the conversion of forest to agricultural land.

Unusually for parrots, they will not only nest in tree cavities, but also in rock crevices, holes in buildings or termite mounds. They are also not the most colourful or impressive of the conures or parrots and this has led to them being little traded on the international market. Their red throat distinguishes them from all the other Green Conure species.



Lifespan: 30 Years

Weight: 130g

Size: 26 - 29 cm

Breeding Season: Jan - Aug

Incubation Period: 22 - 24 Days

Number of Chicks: 1 - 4

Diet: Seeds, Berries, Fruits, Cultivated Crops, Nuts

Problems They Face: Although little affected by trapping for trade, habitat conversion from forest to agriculture is affecting their numbers

Conservation Status: Near Threatened - CITES App. 2