



Timneh Grey Parrot

Psittacus erithacus timneh



Smaller and less well known than the more common African Grey, the Timneh Grey Parrot is found in Sierra Leone, Ivory Coast, Mali and Guinea-Bissau.

The Timneh Grey Parrot is also known as the Maroon-tailed African Grey as they have darker tail feathers compared to the well-known African Grey Parrot. They are generally found in moist lowland forest, both primary and secondary, including edges and clearings. You can also see them in mangroves, gallery forest, savannah woodland and cultivations.

The Timneh Grey typically nests in holes in tall trees and although normally solitary, there have been reports of 2 pairs breeding in one tree. The young develop slowly and only leave the nest at around 80 days of age. They are one of the most heavily traded birds in the world and one of the most common pet birds. We have made it our policy at the park not to sell our birds as pets.



Lifespan: 50 Years
Weight: 400 - 450 g
Size: 28 - 39 cm
Breeding Season: April - December
Incubation Period: 21 - 30 Days
Number of Chicks: 2 - 3
Diet: Fruits, Seeds and Grains
Problems They Face: Habitat destruction, trapping for trade and food, Persecution by Farmers. Exploitation for the pet trade.
Conservation Status: Endangered - CITES App. 1