

King Parrot

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INTRODUCTION

*King parrots are one of Australia's most vibrantly coloured bird. Their scientific name is *Alisterus scapularis*. Today we will be learning about King Parrots.*



Did You Know?

Although king parrots appear distinctly red and green to humans, when viewed under ultraviolet light, some feathers appear with a yellow glow.

DESCRIPTION

Male Australian King Parrots are the only Australian Parrots with a completely red head. Females are similar to males except that they have a completely green head and breast. Both have a red belly and a green back, with green wings and a long green tail.



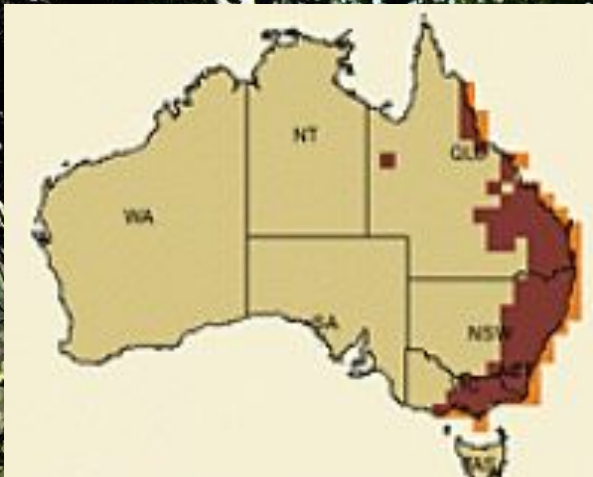
King parrot.

Useful Facts

Average length:
41-43cm

Average weight:
230g

DISTRIBUTION



The King parrot lives in all of the brown bits.



FACTS

Diet

In nature, the Australian King Parrots diet consists of seeds, fruits, nuts and flowers.

Habitat

King Parrots are usually found in rainforest or wet sclerophyll forest.

Breeding Season

There breeding season is from September to January.

5 REASONS TO PROTECT THEM...

1

They help plants by pruning them and spreading seeds.

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They are important to the balancing the food web and the wider ecosystem.

2

We need to protect a variety of birds and some are endangered.

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They are colourful and cheerful and that makes them special.

3

They eat and control the number of insects.

Pictures of King Parrots



King parrot eating pair.



King parrot

These are two pictures of king parrots!

SOURCES I USED

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