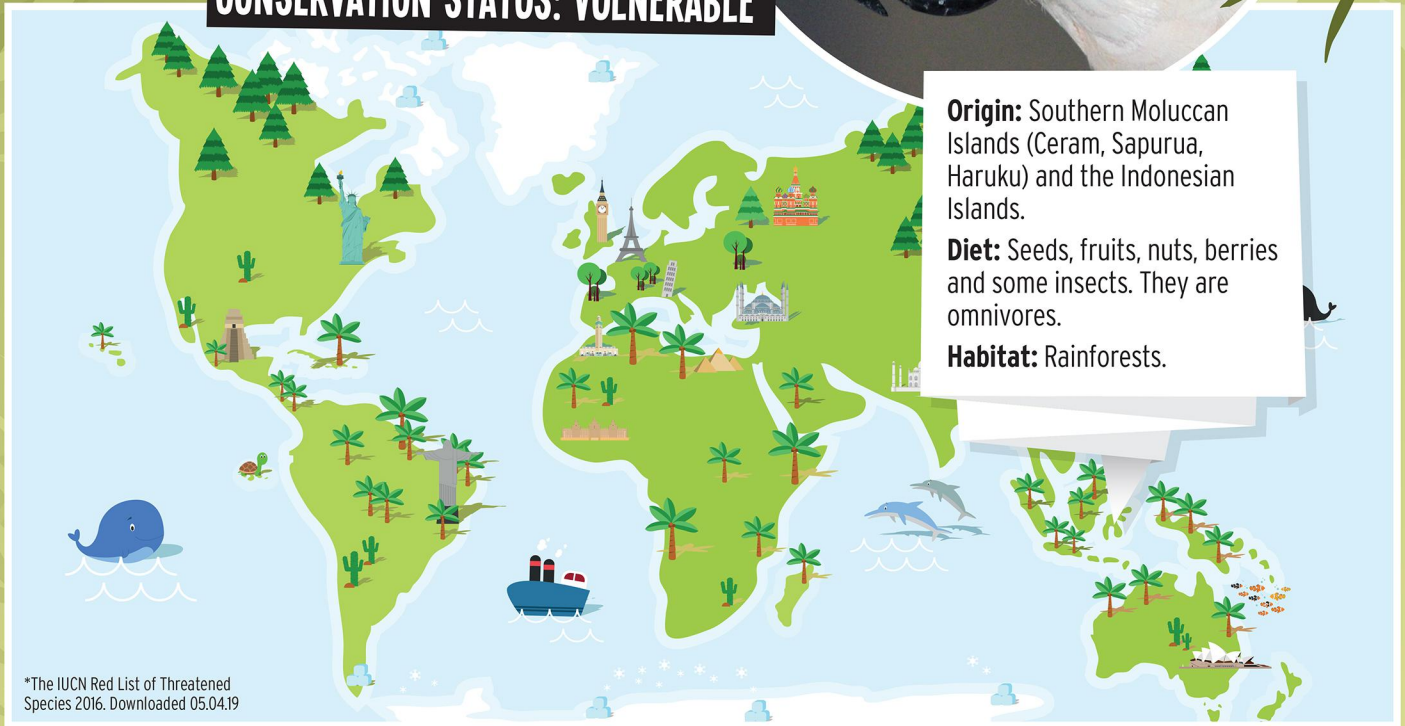


MOLUCCAN COCKATOO

(CACATUA MOLUCCENSIS)

CONSERVATION STATUS: VULNERABLE*

**WE ARE
BIRDS**
with a lifespan of 65+
years in captivity



DID YOU KNOW?

Moluccan Cockatoos are also known as Salmon-Crested Cockatoos. They have a crest on their heads which they raise when threatened or excited.

Moluccan Cockatoos are considered pests in coconut plantations. They destroy young coconuts, chewing through the outer layers to get to the soft pulp and milk.

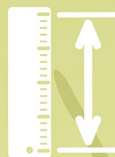
They hold their food in one foot and break pieces off with their beak.

Moluccan cockatoos live in pairs or small flocks up to around 16 birds.

Moluccan cockatoos can mimic the sound of other animals, including humans.

A pair of Moluccan Cockatoos mate for life and it has been known for them to become very upset if they are separated or if one dies.

They can live alone but will require a human companion.



Height

65cm



Weight

800g-1kg

REPRODUCTION

A pair of Moluccan Cockatoos mate for life. Males will ruffle their feathers and spread their wings to attract the females. They usually leave the flock to mate and nest in a hole in a tree. The average clutch size is 2-6 eggs. Both parents take part in incubating the eggs for around 30 days. The young stay in their nest for around 3 months before they are ready to breed by 5-6 years of age.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE COCKATOOS