

# RED-TAILED HAWKS

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## FUN FACT!

They have excellent vision and can spot a mouse from 100 feet up in the air and Red-tailed hawks are known for their distinctive red tail, which is most visible in adult birds.

## FACT SHEET

Scientific Name  
**BUTEO JAMAICENSIS**

### Region

#### NATIVE TO NORTH AMERICA

Red-tailed hawks prefer open areas with high perching places and sparse ground cover for hunting.

### Diet

#### CARNIVORE (MEAT)

With keen eyes, they dive for a diet of rodents and reptiles from the skies.

### Life Span

#### IN THE WILD

10-21 years

#### IN THE ZOO

Up to 30 years

### Size

#### WEIGHT

1.5-3.5 pounds

#### HEIGHT

18-26 inches



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ON MAP

## CONSERVATION STATUS

LEAST CONCERN (LC)



The IUCN, International Union for Conservation of Nature maintains the Red List, a global database assessing the conservation status of species. It's a vital tool for tracking endangered species and guiding conservation efforts.

