

Buffon's Macaw

Scientific Name: *Ara ambigua*

Common Name(s): Buffon's, Great Green, Grand Military

Origin: southeastern Honduras to western Columbia and western Ecuador

Length: 30 - 34 inches

Wing span: 45 - 50 inches

Weight: 1200 - 1600 grams

Body color: They are green with pale blue on the lower back, over the rump, and onto the upper part of the tail. The rest of the tail is a pale brownish red, tipped with blue. The forehead and the feathered lines on the lore is red. The bare facial area is white with a pink cast to it and black feathered lines. The legs are gray. The beak is also gray, though paler towards the tip and the eye is a dull yellow. The primary differences between and Military and a Buffon's is that the Buffon's is a larger bird and its general color is a lighter, more yellowish green.



Life span: 60+ years

Diet – Wild: nuts, fruits, and seeds

Captivity: pellets, nuts, seed, fruits, vegetables, treats

Personality: They are quite docile and affectionate. Even breeding pairs have been known to be friendly. They are also quite intelligent and inquisitive. They are considered to be fair talkers and are excellent at learning tricks. These birds are very social and make wonderful pets.

Beak pressure: unknown

Sexing: DNA or endoscopy only

Cage size: Minimum of 36" x 36" x 36"

Cost – Pet store: \$2500+

Breeder: \$2000+

Adoption: