

Severe Macaw

Scientific Name: *Ara severa*

Common Name(s): Severe, Chestnut-Fronted, Brazilian Green

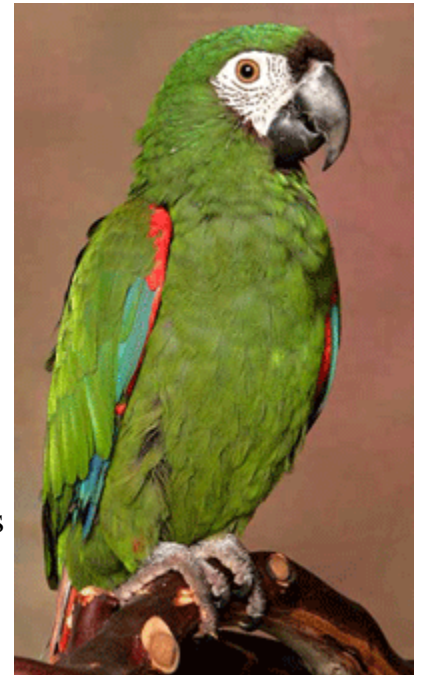
Origin: northern South America

Length: 16 - 20 inches

Wing span: 22 - 28 inches

Weight: 325 - 725 grams

Body color: The plumage is primarily metallic green, and the crown is blue with a line of chestnut colored feathers across the forehead. The shoulders are red. Severe Macaws have blue flight and tail feathers with red undersides. Their bare facial patch exhibits delicate feather lines, the chin is a dark reddish brown, and the underside of the tail is a dark chestnut color. The bill is black and the feet are dark gray.



Life span: 60+ years

Diet – Wild: nuts, fruits, and seeds

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

Personality: They are extremely social and love to mimic speech and be petted and played with. They are quite intelligent and should be provided with ropes to swing on and lots of wood to chew. Forming strong bonds with their keepers, they are affectionate, silly, and active, and love to climb, explore, and hang upside down, chatting and squawking often. They should be taught early on to regulate the pressure of their beaks. They are heavy chewers.

Beak pressure: unknown

Sexing: DNA or endoscopy only

Cage size: Minimum of 24" x 24" x 24"

Cost – Pet store: \$900 - \$1200

Breeder: \$650 - \$1000

Adoption: \$400.00