

# Wings 'n' Things

## Quick guide fact sheet

### Green winged Macaw

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- **General info.** If you want a companion that is magnificent both in colour and size, extremely affectionate and loving and can give the full time care they deserve, this is definitely the bird for you.
- Green winged Macaws, also called the Red and Green Macaws are the second largest parrot in the world. They are found over large parts of South America from Panama to northern Argentina and Paraguay. They live in tropical forests in the lowlands and in the foothills of mountains. Green winged Macaws are fairly common in British aviaries and among the most popular of the large Macaws kept as companion birds, they are true '*gentle giants*'. They are not regarded as endangered at the moment. They are no longer imported into the E.U. due to the ban on wild caught birds being imported so the only young birds available should be aviary bred stock.
- **Adult size.** .....90cms (36in).
- **Sexing.** .... The sexes are alike, although some males have larger heads and beak.
- **Talking ability.** Green winged Macaws can be regarded as good talkers.
- **Life span.** .... Green winged Macaws can live for 60 to 70 years possibly more.
- **Diet.** .... Green winged Macaws require a good parrot mix, large nuts such as Walnuts, A lot of fresh fruit and vegetables, vitamin supplements and fresh water daily. Vitamin and mineral supplements.
- **Pros for choosing a Green winged Macaw.**
  - They are extremely intelligent,
  - Become devoted to their keepers,
  - Large, magnificent in size.
  - Good talking ability,
  - Exceptionally entertaining,
  - Playful, mischievous disposition,
  - Good family pet.
  - Long lived and a lifelong companion.
  - Beautifully coloured.
  - Gentle, loving nature.
  - The ultimate companion parrot of all!!!
- **Cons for choosing a Green winged Macaw.**
  - Due to their size they need a large cage and space.
  - Can be very loud at times.
  - Because of their huge and powerful beaks can be destructive.
- **Wings 'n' Things** Produce our own care sheet for the Green winged Macaws, please ask.

