

Wings 'n' Things

Quick guide fact sheet

Green Cheeked Conure

Pyrrhura molinae

- **General info.**If you want a small bird that is always on the go, good fun, acrobatic, affectionate and totally entertaining this is the bird for you.
- Green cheeked conures are found in tropical forests, farmland, fields etc sometimes in quite large flocks. They look very similar to the Maroon bellied Conure and are quite often confused. They are found in Brazil, Bolivia, and Argentina and there are 5 sub-species. They are fairly common as aviary birds in Britain. Only in recent years have people started breeding these conures more frequently. They are not regarded as endangered in the wild but unfortunately some Conures are still imported into Britain, there is no need for this. There are more than enough bred in this country to cover demand. *Please do not buy these imported birds.* They are wild and rarely make good companion birds.
- **Adult size.**26cms (10in).
- **Sexing.**The sexes are alike, although some males have slightly larger flatter heads and larger beak.
- **Talking ability.** Conures can be regarded as moderate talkers and mimics of whistles and household sounds.
- **Life span.** Green cheeked conures can live for 10 to 15 years possibly more.
- **Diet.** Green cheeked conures require a good parakeet mix. Fresh fruit and vegetables and fresh water daily. Vitamin and mineral supplements.
- **Pros for choosing a Green cheeked conure .**
- Green cheeks are extremely intelligent,
- Become devoted to their keepers,
- Small in size.
- Moderate talking ability,
- Exceptionally entertaining,
- Playful, mischievous disposition,
- Good family pet.
- **Cons for choosing a Green cheeked conure.**
- Can be a bit nippy just after weaning but this stage soon passes.
- Wings 'n' Things Produce our own care sheet for the Green cheeked Conure, please ask.

