



Velma Morrison Interpretive Center

Education Birds

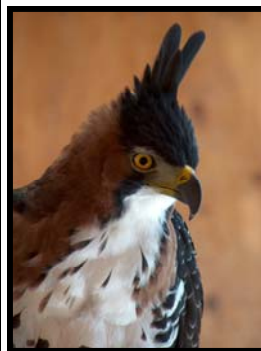
The birds pictured on this page and the next page are birds we have here at the Interpretive Center. These birds cannot be released because they have an injury or are too used to being fed by people. We name the birds so we can keep track of them. They are not pets. We take the best possible care of these birds. To learn more about these species of birds, visit our Explore Raptors section of our web site at:
<http://www.peregrinefund.org>

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Courtyard Birds



Species Bald Eagle
Name, Sex Sky, Female
Hatched 2004
Obtained On loan from the US Fish and Wildlife Service.
Cool Facts Our National bird. They become sexually mature at 5-6 years of age. Young eagles have a long period of exploration lasting four years.



Species Ornate Hawk-Eagle
Name, Sex Fancy, Female
Hatched 2001
Obtained Raised by a falconer and is imprinted.
Cool Facts Stealth and ambush are important aspects of this powerful raptor's hunting style.



Species Bateleur Eagle
Name, Sex Kwang, Female
 Stoffle, Male
Hatched Kwang, 1968; Stoffle, 1964
Obtained Kwang-From a national park in South Africa. Stoffle-Imprinted from South Africa.

Cool Facts Skin on their face and feet changes color according to their mood. A social bird of prey.



Species Gyr Falcon
Name, Sex Sigrid, Female, white
 Morley, Male, grey
Hatched Sigrid, 2004
 Morley, 1993
Obtained Sigrid was hatched at The Peregrine Fund. Morley came from falconer Morley Nelson.

Cool Facts The largest species of falcon. Known as the arctic falcon and is found in the far north. In the Middle Ages, only a king could hunt with a Gyr Falcon.

Education Birds Continued

*You may encounter one or more of these birds in a live bird presentation at our visitor center.

Dark Hallway Birds



Species Peregrine Falcon
Name, Sex Gus*, Jess*; Males
Hatched Gus, 2001; Jess, 1996
Obtained Gus-Raised by a falconer. Jess-Has poor eyesight and could not be released.
Cool Facts Fastest creatures on earth. Prefer to nest on cliffs.



Species Northern Harrier
Name, Sex Potter*, Male
Hatched 2003
Obtained Injured as a fledging when hit by a car.

Cool Facts Harriers have facial disks, as do owls, to hear their prey. Ground nesting bird of prey.

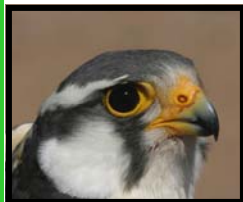


Species Eurasian Eagle-Owl
Name, Sex Queeny, Female
Hatched 1998 or earlier
Obtained Confiscated from individual who did not have proper permits.
Cool Facts This species has beautiful orange iris. One of the largest owls in the world.



Species Harpy Eagle
Name, Sex Freedom, Female
 Luigi, Male
Hatched Freedom, 1966
 Luigi, 2001
Obtained Freedom-manned bird from California. Luigi-raised here at The Peregrine Fund.

Cool Facts One of the largest and most powerful eagles. Hind talon can be as large as grizzly bear claw.



Species Aplomado Falcon
Name, Sex Stella*, Female
Hatched 2001
Obtained Raised here at The Peregrine Fund.

Cool Facts The Peregrine Fund raises this endangered falcon here in Boise, and releases them in Texas and New Mexico.



Species Turkey Vulture
Name, Sex Lucy*, Female
Hatched 2001
Obtained Confiscated from people who took her from a nest.
Cool Facts Turkey Vultures have an amazing sense of smell.

Like all vultures, they have a bald head.

Other Birds

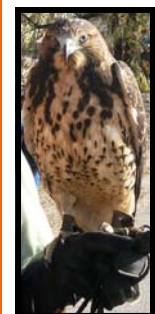


Species American Crow
Name, Sex Daka*, Male
Hatched 2004
Obtained From Idaho F&G
Cool Facts Omnivores, will eat almost anything. They gather in large numbers in the winter to sleep in communal roosts.



Species American Kestrel
Name, Sex Tika*, Female; Bob*, Male
Hatched Both in 2008
Obtained Rescued birds that are imprinted.

Cool Facts One of the few birds of prey with color differences between male and female. The smallest and most common American falcon.



Species Swainson's Hawk
Name, Sex Griffin*, Female
Hatched 2007
Obtained Rescued bird that is imprinted
Cool Facts Swainson's have one of the longest migrations of any American raptor. This is a hawk which likes to eat insects.



Species Red-tailed Hawk
Name, Sex Chance*, Male
Hatched 2000
Obtained Rescued bird who was shot with a BB gun and rehabilitated.
Cool Facts The most common hawk in North America. Its raspy cry is used in movies to represent any hawk or eagle.