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Animal Fact Sheet

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Demoiselle Crane

Anthropoides virgo

Anthropoides virgo is the smallest of the world's cranes and the one that takes on the hardest journey. Populations breeding on the steppes of Mongolia, Kazakhstan and Central Asia migrate to winteri…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Gruidae
Habitat: Grasslands and semi-arid steppe
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 20-27 years
Weight: 2–3 kg
Scientific name: Anthropoides virgo

Did you know?

- Unlike most other cranes, Demoiselle Cranes can be seen in large flocks numbering thousands during migration and at wintering sites.
- Demoiselle cranes are the only cranes routinely recorded flying at altitudes where oxygen is roughly half of sea-level pressure, and their blood haem…

What I learned

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