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Animal Fact Sheet

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Helmeted Guineafowl

Numida meleagris

The Helmeted Guineafowl is a large, ground-dwelling bird native to Africa, easily recognized by its distinctive featherless, bony casque or "helmet" atop its head and its spotted, gray-black plumage.…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Numididae
Habitat: Open savannas and grasslands
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 1.3-1.6 kg
Scientific name: Numida meleagris

Did you know?

- Despite being ground dwellers, Helmeted Guineafowl roost in trees at night to avoid predators.
- Helmeted Guineafowl use loud, grating calls to communicate and warn their flock of predators. They are valued in agriculture for their ability to con…

What I learned

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