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Animal Fact Sheet

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Keel-billed Toucan

Ramphastos sulfuratus

Ramphastos sulfuratus carries a bill that is up to a third of its body length and yet weighs almost nothing, because it is a shell of keratin over a lattice of bony struts and air-filled foam - a nat…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Ramphastidae
Habitat: Tropical rainforest
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 15-20 years
Weight: 380-500 g
Scientific name: Ramphastos sulfuratus

Did you know?

- Despite their large and colorful bills, Keel-billed Toucans are surprisingly quiet, producing frog-like croaks rather than loud calls.
- Toucans regulate heat loss through the bill so precisely that a thermal camera shows it lighting up and cooling down within minutes as the bird's nee…

What I learned

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