

Animal Fact Sheet

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King Vulture

Sarcoramphus papa

The King Vulture is a striking large bird of prey found in the tropical lowland forests of Central and South America. Easily recognized by its bold white, black, and orange plumage and its vividly co...

Quick facts

Classification: Bird

Family: Cathartidae

Habitat: Tropical lowland forests

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 20-25 years

Weight: 3-4.5 kg

Scientific name: *Sarcoramphus papa*

Did you know?

- Despite their size and powerful appearance, King Vultures are completely silent, lacking a syrinx and only able to make low croaking or hissing sound...
- King Vultures have exceptional eyesight, allowing them to spot carrion from great heights. They often arrive first at carcasses and use their powerfu...

What I learned
