CREATURE ATLAS

Animal Fact Sheet

Name: _____ Date: _____



Red-billed Quelea

Quelea quelea

Quelea quelea is the most abundant wild bird on the planet — the post-breeding population is estimated at around 1.5 billion, and single roosts have held millions of individuals in a few hectares of …

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Ploceidae
Habitat: Savanna and grassland
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-3 years
Weight: 15-26 grams
Scientific name: Quelea quelea

Did you know?

- Despite their enormous population, Red-billed Queleas are sometimes called 'Africa's most hated bird' due to the severe damage they can inflict on cr…
- Quelea colonies are so heavy that mature acacia branches snap under the combined weight of the nests, and the birds' droppings can kill the trees the…

What I learned

© Creature Atlas · www.creatureatlas.com · Free for classroom & personal use