

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Western Capercaillie

*Tetrao urogallus*

The Western Capercaillie is the largest member of the grouse family, native to the coniferous forests of Europe and parts of Asia. Males are notably larger than females and are famous for their strik...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Bird

**Family:** Phasianidae

**Habitat:** Boreal and temperate coniferous forests

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 5-10 years

**Weight:** Females: 1.5–2.5 kg, Males: 3.5–6.5 kg

**Scientific name:** *Tetrao urogallus*

### Did you know?

- Despite their large size and apparent clumsiness, Western Capercaillies are capable of swift and powerful flight when threatened.
- Male Western Capercaillies can reach nearly twice the size of females, a rare trait among birds. During the breeding season, males gather at traditio...

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