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Animal Fact Sheet

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White-cheeked Turaco

Tauraco leucotis

The White-cheeked Turaco is a striking, medium-sized bird renowned for its vivid green body, deep blue tail and wings, and bold white patches on its cheeks. Native to the montane forests of East Afri…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Musophagidae
Habitat: Montane forests
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-9 years
Weight: 200-315 g
Scientific name: Tauraco leucotis

Did you know?

- Unlike parrots, turacos have semi-zygodactylous feet, allowing them to run and hop adeptly along branches.
- White-cheeked Turacos have a unique green pigment called turacoverdin, unlike most birds whose green color comes from structural coloration. They are…

What I learned

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