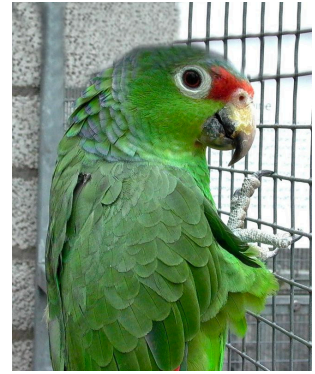




SALVIN'S AMAZON

PSITTACIFORMES
Family: Psittacidae
Genus: *Amazona*
**Species: *autumnalis*
*salvini***



Range: Northern Nicaragua south to southwest Colombia and northwest Venezuela.

Habitat: humid evergreen to semi-deciduous forests

Niche: Arboreal canopy, herbivorous, diurnal

Diet: Wild: fruits, nuts and seeds

Life Span: Wild: 30 – 35 years, Captivity 70 – 80 years

Sexual Dimorphism: none

Location in SF Zoo: South American Tropical Rainforest and Aviary

APPEARANCE & PHYSICAL ADAPTATIONS:

The Salvin's Amazon is a sub species of red-lobed Amazon and is slightly larger. Their coloring is similar also except the Salvin's Amazon has green cheeks and ear-coverts, whereas the Red-lored Amazon they are yellow. Also the Salvin's inner webs of the outer tail-feathers are red.

They have zygodactylous feet for climbing. Their beaks and feet are used to climb and to husk seeds. They will test new surfaces by touching them with their beaks.

Weight:
Length: 14 in
Wingspan:
Tail Length:

STATUS & CONSERVATION:

Due to its small distribution area there have never been large numbers exported from the wild and are not common in captivity but thankfully it appears they are still relatively common in the wild.

COMMUNICATION & OTHER BEHAVIOR:

Salvin's Amazons are very social and quite noisy within its flock. Like all Amazons, they call out an alert first thing in the morning and then again at dusk for about 10 minutes. They make a wide variety of sounds, some high-pitched, trilling and other calls loud, metallic and scolding as well as rippling and short notes. Their calls are screeching and loud unless resting or eating.

COURTSHIP & YOUNG:

Salvin's amazons nest in tree cavities. Pairs are monogamous during the breeding season. Along with mating, pairs participate in mutual preening and partner feeding. The female incubates the eggs for about 26 days and feeds and broods the altricial chicks for the first 10 days. Later the male aids her in the care. After three weeks the young are ready to leave the nest. Some parrots stay with their parents until the following mating season. Pairs may raise more than 1 brood a year.

Incubation: 26 days	Sexual Maturity:
# of Eggs: 3	Fledging:

MISCELLANEOUS:

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