



# Harris' Hawk

FEMALE

*Parabuteo unicinctus*

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**“Inca”**

SECURE

*“You never know what she is grumbling about”*

## DESCRIPTION & IDENTIFICATION

The Harris' Hawk is easily identified by the chestnut, white and black feathers, with a distinctive white band on the tail. The Harris' Hawk is very intelligent, a quick learner, and has a forgiving nature. The ideal falconry bird and an accomplished hunter. Can be extremely vocal if hungry or annoyed.

## HABITAT & LOCATION

Originating in tropical central America, they have gradually moved north and can now be found in the desert regions of New Mexico, Arizona and east Texas. Normally a desert dwelling bird, they can quickly adapt to inhospitable climates and can even be found colonising urban areas.

## NATURAL DIET

Rabbit, hare, jackrabbit, squirrel and gopher. Has been known to take birds in flight.

## WEIGHTS & DIMENSIONS

**Weight** : *Adult Female* - 1 lb 14oz, (850 g), - 3 lb, (1,369 g).

**Wingspan** : Can reach 60", (150 cm).