

Common Name

Ferruginous Hawk

FEMALE

Scientific Name Buteo regalis Hatch Date May 2004

"Kalinka"

"Yes, my mouth is bigger than it looks"

Conservation Status

ENDANGERED

DESCRIPTION & IDENTIFICATION

The Ferruginous Hawk is very Eagle like in appearance with feathers extending the full length of the leg. The name is derived from "ferrous", the rusty colour of the wing and leg feathers. Rust coloured on the back and shoulders, in stark contrast to the white-creamy colour of the under parts and belly.

HABITAT & LOCATION

Found in arid and semi-arid areas of south west Canada, western United States and northern Mexico. Also found in grassland and agricultural land.

NATURAL DIET

Mostly mammals like hares, rabbits, gophers and ground squirrels, may also hunt birds, amphibians, insects and reptiles. Has become a scavenger, eating roadkill and carrion.

WEIGHTS & DIMENSIONS

Weight : 2.5 lb, (1,135 g), - 4.5 lb, (2,050 g).

Height : 22", (56 cm) - 26", (66 cm).

Wingspan : 48", (124 cm) - 60", (150 cm).

