

Ferruginous Eagle

[Rehomed - poor conditions]

FEMALE

Buteo regalis

May 2004

"Kalinka"

"Psycho bird, needs to learn manners.

ENDANGERED

DESCRIPTION & IDENTIFICATION

The Ferruginous has recently been re-classified as an eagle due to it's sheer size. It's 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 road-kill 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).