



Harris' Hawk

FEMALE

Parabuteo unicinctus

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“Mia”

“Young, grumpy, and born hunter”

SECURE

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).