



## Macaw

The macaw is a long tailed parrot. They live in the Amazon jungle in South America. They are colourful birds with large beaks. They can be found in a variety of colours but most have blue, yellow, red and green feathers.

Some are as small as a parakeet and others have a wing span of 1.2 metres. They are zygodactyl which means that the first and fourth toes point backwards. So they can perch on branches and they can use their claws to hold food while they eat.

No two macaws have the same feather pattern on the face. Each pattern is unique like a finger print.

Macaws eat nuts and fruits. Some macaws eat clay. They swoop down to a dry river bed and eat the clay!

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