

Yellowish Streaked Lory

Chalcopsitta scintillata



Range: New Guinea
Size: 31 cm (12 in)
Wingspan: 42-47 cm
18-24 in
Weight: ♂ 180-245g (6-8oz)
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Diet: Nectar
Habitat: Rainforest
Eggs: 2-3
Nest: Tree cavity
Incubation : 24 days
Fledging: 8-9 weeks
Social: Flocks up to 30
Sexual maturity: 4-5 yrs
Breeding monogamous
Subspecies: 3
Longevity: Captivity: 19 years
Wild: Unknown
IUCN: Least Concern

Order: Psittaciformes Family: Psittaculidae

The Yellow-streaked Lory is native New Guinea and a few surrounding islands. There are three subspecies which appear similar with the amount and width of streaking being the most observable difference.

Like other lorries the yellow-streaked lory feeds on nectar. The tongue is adapted for this by having tufts of papillae on its tip to collect nectar and pollen. By feeding on different flowers the lory helps with pollination.

The population of yellow-streaked lory has not been quantified but is common throughout its range. The IUCN list the species as Least Concern and it is listed in Appendix II of CITES.

Although not listed on the USFW Endangered Species list it is protected under the WBCA and it is illegal to import into the United States.