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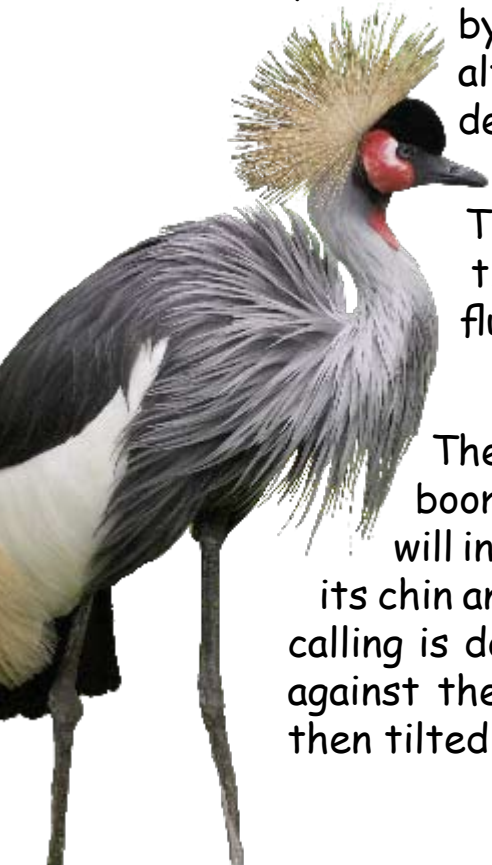
As recently as 2008 this species was listed as Least Concern

GREY CROWNED CRANES

Balearica regulorum

In many areas, this species is considered a sacred bird, its cultural significance has provided a high level of local protection, despite this they are still threatened by habitat alteration and destruction.

The Grey Crowned Crane is the national bird of Uganda and features in the country's flag and coat of arms.



They stamp their feet to flush out insects to eat.

The main vocalization is a booming call where the crane will inflate the sac underneath its chin and push the air out. This calling is done with the head laid against the top of the neck and then tilted back.



All cranes engage in dancing, this includes head pumping, bowing, jumping, running, stick or grass tossing, and wing flapping, it can occur at any age and is commonly associated with courtship.

FACTS & FIGURES

Where found	Eastern and Southern Africa
Habitat	marshes and grassy flatlands
Diet	Plants, seeds, insects, reptiles and small mammals
Average height	3-4 foot
Average weight	3-4kg
Number of eggs	1-5
Incubation	28-31 days

UPGRADED 2012
(Previously Vulnerable)

International Union for Conservation of Nature RED LIST
for the Gret Necked Crowned Crane

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THE RISK OF EXTINCTION FOR THIS SPECIES HAS CURRENTLY BEEN ASSESSED AS *ENDANGERED* IUCN RED LIST