



Pigeon

Columbidae



What is the history of my relationship to man?

Rock Pigeons have been domesticated for several thousand years, giving rise to the domestic pigeon. As well as pets, domesticated pigeons are utilised as homing pigeons and carrier pigeons, and so-called war pigeons that have served and played important roles during wartimes,

Habitat / Climate

Pigeon can adapt to most any climate

Where am I from?

Pigeons and doves are distributed everywhere on Earth, except for the driest areas of the Sahara Desert, Antarctica and its surrounding islands and the high Arctic. They have colonized most of the world's oceanic islands (with the notable exception of Hawaii),



Other family members:

Victorian Crowned Pigeon,
Morning Dove,
New Zealand Pigeon

Who are my relatives?

All types of Avian's are related to me . My closest relatives are other Pigeon and Doves



Breeding Potential

Clutch size average - 3
Number of offspring per year?
Up to 9

How am I born?

The Rock Pigeon breeds at any time of the year, but peak times are spring and summer. Nesting sites are situated along coastal cliff faces, as well as the artificial cliff faces created by apartment buildings with accessible ledges or roof spaces. We lay one or two eggs, and both parents care for the young, which leave the nest after 7 to 30 days.

Breeding Season

A	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
N	E	A	P	A	U	U	S	E	C	O	E
	B	R	R	Y	N	L	U	P	T	V	C

How long does it take me to grow up and how long do I live

It will take me up to 30 days to get all my feathers or fledge. Then I will be able to fly! In the wild we only live around 3 to 5 years, but in captivity we can live up to 15 years.

Names for:

Adult male- Cock
Adult female- Hen
Young- Chicks
Group:- Flocks

What kind of family life do I have?

We fly and hunt for food in groups called flocks. During breeding season, which for pigeons can be all year, we pair up so we can care for the chicks.

What do I eat and when do I eat?

The majority of my diet is seeds and fruit. I occasionally eat bugs. I feed during the daylight hours and at night I roost.

Who are my predators?

All sorts of Birds of prey



Comments:

Here at the Ranch we have several varieties of Pigeon. Arch Angel Pigeon, Homing Pigeon, and Indian Fan Tail.