

Fauna fact sheet

Red goshawk

Scientific Name: *Erythrotriorchis radiatus*

Common Name: Red goshawk

Status: EPBC Act (1999): Vulnerable (NC(W)R 1994): Endangered

Distribution: Northern Australia from the Kimberleys around the east coast to northern NSW.

Habitat: Coastal and sub-coastal open forests, woodlands and rainforest fringes especially near permanent water.

Description: Large reddish goshawk with a whitish head streaked with dark markings. Body rufous with black 'arrowhead' markings. Thighs rufous. Yellow legs and feet. Sits in a very upright position.

Habits: Breeds April to September making stick nests in tall trees within 1 kilometre of water.

Comments: Large range of over 200 square kilometers feeding mostly on birds. Nests in tall, live trees.



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