

Red crowned crane
Grus japonensis
tanchouzuru
丹頂鶴
たんちょうづる



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- Distribution:** Japanese population is found on the island of Hokkaido and does not migrate. [Also found in north eastern China, Russia and Mongolia and migrates to eastern China and north and south Korea.]
- Habitat:** Coastal saltmarsh, rice paddies, rivers and freshwater marshes.
- Diet:** Insects, aquatic invertebrates, amphibians, rodents, fish, reeds, grasses, and other plants.
- Breeding:**
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| incubation | 29-34 days (time keeping the eggs warm in the nest) |
| eggs | 1-2 |
| lifespan | ~ 30-40 years |
- Size:**
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| height | 150-158cm |
| length | 100-150cm |
| wingspan | 220-250cm |
| weight | 7-8kg |
- IUCN Red List Status:** Endangered
- Main threats:** In the past the birds were hunted to near extinction but are now protected. Habitat loss is a main threat with wetland areas converted for agriculture and industrial development.