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| A [blue-and-yellow macaw](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Blue-and-yellow_macaw" \o "Blue-and-yellow macaw) (*Ara ararauna*) | |
| **[Scientific classification](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taxonomy_(biology)" \o "Taxonomy (biology))** | |
| Kingdom: | [Animalia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Animal" \o "Animal) |
| Phylum: | [Chordata](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chordata" \o "Chordata) |
| Class: | [Aves](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aves" \o "Aves) |
| Order: | [Psittaciformes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Psittaciformes" \o "Psittaciformes) |
| Family: | [Psittacidae](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Psittacidae" \o "Psittacidae) |
| Subfamily: | [Arinae](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arinae" \o "Arinae) |
| Tribe: | [Arini](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Arini_(tribe)" \o "Arini (tribe)) |
| **Genera** | |
| *[Ara](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ara_(genus)" \o "Ara (genus))* *[Anodorhynchus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anodorhynchus" \o "Anodorhynchus)* *[Cyanopsitta](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spix's_macaw" \o "Spix's macaw)* *[Primolius](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Primolius" \o "Primolius)* *[Orthopsittaca](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Red-bellied_macaw" \o "Red-bellied macaw)* *[Diopsittaca](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Red-shouldered_macaw" \o "Red-shouldered macaw)* | |

**MACAWS**

**Macaws** are a group of [New World parrots](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neotropical_parrot" \o "Neotropical parrot) that are long-tailed and often colorful.[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Macaw" \l "cite_note-1) They are popular in [aviculture](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aviculture" \o "Aviculture) or as [companion parrots](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Companion_parrot" \o "Companion parrot), although there are conservation concerns about several species in the wild.

Proportionately larger beaks, long tails, and relatively bare, light-coloured, medial (facial patch) areas distinguish macaws from other parrots. Sometimes the facial patch is smaller in some species and limited to a yellow patch around the eyes and a second patch near the base of the beak in the members of the genus *[Anodorhynchus](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anodorhynchus" \o "Anodorhynchus)*. A macaw's facial feather pattern is as unique as a fingerprint.