Blue and Gold Macaws Returned to the Nariva Wetlands Ramsar Site, Trinidad & Tobago

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Trinidad and Tobago

The Pointe-a-Pierre Wildfowl Trust has released 10 Blue & Gold Macaws (Ara ararauna, an endangered species in Trinidad & Tobago) into their natural home, the Nariva Wetlands Ramsar Site, to celebrate the 45th Anniversary of the Trust this year.

The journey begins ..... 

These wetland birds were bred in Trinidad at the Pointe-a-Pierre Wildfowl Trust and reared by their Macaw parents as a part of the Trust’s continuing and successful breed & release programme. These magnificent birds have been prepared from hatching to fully flighted adults, with minimal interaction with people for this significant day of “freedom” into the Bush Bush Wildlife Sanctuary (a part of the Nariva Ramsar Site). The birds will be released from the aviary of the birds into the wild on Tuesday 26 April. This second Trust release is being done with the assistance of the Wildlife section of the Forestry Division.

Boat ride to the Bush Bush Wildlife sanctuary at Nariva Wetlands The birds settle into their pre-release aviary
The PaP Wildfowl Trust is pleased to collaborate with the Forestry Division, with whom they have had a long and productive relationship and together now celebrate the International Year of Forests.

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