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February is a month of joy, with carnival and celebrations! Around here is no different: besides monitoring the development of Xamã in the reintroduction enclosure, we celebrate the first years of Onçafari activities in Reserva São Francisco do Perigara, in Mato Grosso's Pantanal.

The Reserva São Francisco do Perigara is part of an important ecological corridor and is a strategic area for conservation, since it houses a large amount of the diversity of Pantanal's fauna, and is the region with the largest population of hyacinth macaws in the world.

Our goal with the reserve is to make it a model of sustainable property for conservation. I'm very happy to see that, since our arrival in 2022, we worked and invested towards this goal.

After the fires that struck Pantanal in 2019 and 2020, not only hyacinth macaws, but the whole of the fauna and flora of the region was threatened. That's why the work to restore and protect the reserve includes environmental and sociocultural endeavors.

We invested in monitoring and creating artificial nests for the hyacinth macaws, in partnership with Instituto Arara Azul. We also invested in the use of camera traps to monitor the fauna, which brought great results.

In order to preserve and increase the forest area, we started a plantation project with grugru palm (bocaiúva) and Panama tree (manduvi) seedlings – main tree used by macaws for nesting.

In the sociocultural front, we started a project with Terra Indígena (indigenous land) Bororo in partnership with Instituto Centro de Vida (ICV) in order to, among other structuring axes of the project, foster the strengthening of traditional knowledge, the food sovereignty of the indigenous land, and monitoring and fire-fighting in the region.

For many more years of dedication to protect not only the Reserva São Francisco do Perigara, but the Pantanal as a whole!

Mario Haberfeld
CEO and Founder

Xamã



Xamã is living in our enclosure in the Amazon for a month now and is developing well!

In our cameras, he has been seen exploring the enclosure quite a lot, enjoying sun baths or baths in the dam. Regarding his diet, for being a young jaguar and still having baby teeth, Xamã doesn't eat living prey; instead he gets meat offered by our team. Click below to watch!

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Want to help Xamã get back to nature? Click below and access the campaign and be a part of this story!

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Hyacinth macaws in Reserva São Francisco do Perigara

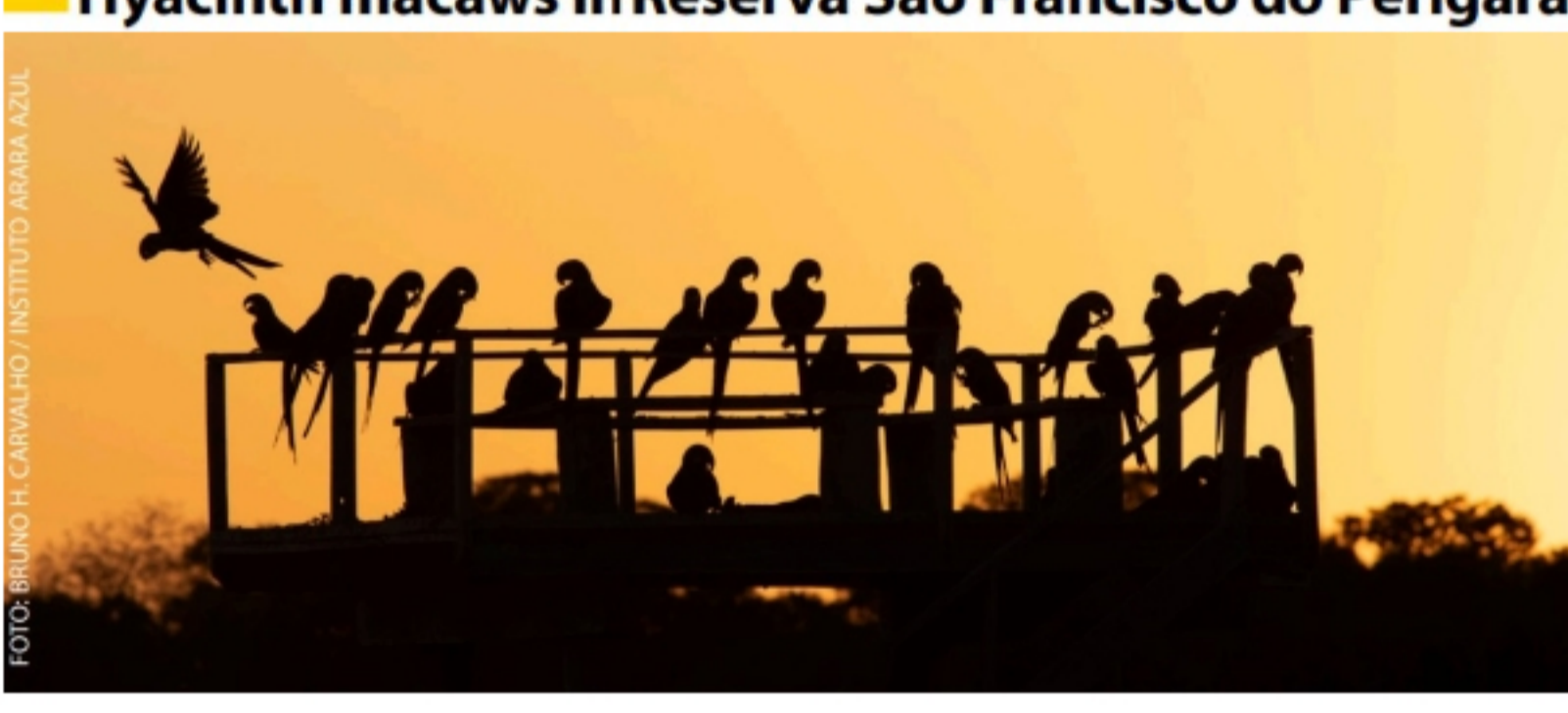


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In January 2022, we took over Reserva São Francisco do Perigara with the main goal of trying to save the largest population in the world of hyacinth macaws concentrated in one place.

The fires which struck Pantanal in 2020 harmed the fauna and flora of the reserve, causing a gradual decline in the number of birds occupying the region. Food scarcity is one of the factors which resulted in the dispersion of hyacinth macaws and the decline of the population in the property.

In order to protect this emblematic species of Pantanal, we count on the partnership of Instituto Arara Azul, which monitors the macaws and their natural and artificial nests and counts the individuals.

Throughout this first year, despite a smaller number of hyacinth macaws in the region, the records show that the fauna and flora is recovering.

The good news is that we've had a record number of hyacinth macaws births, with 12 healthy hatchlings registered in November 2022 and 18 nests used by them. This is the largest number registered since monitoring began, over 20 years ago.

Straight From The Field



Camera traps are great allies in the work with wild fauna: they are discreet and allow us to capture the "intimacy" of species we can't easily see in the forest. During the XIV Campanha de Armadilhamento Fotográfico (monitoring campaign) in Legado das Águas (SP), we were able to capture 1024 videos of fauna, from those 729 of mammals, 263 of birds, 22 of reptiles and 3 of frogs.

In this campaign, we captured all the species of felines present in the reserve: jaguar (Puma concolor), ocelot (Leopardus pardalis), margay (Leopardus wiedii), jaguarundi (Herpailurus yagouaroundi) and southern tiger cat (Leopardus guttulus).

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