**Yellow Naped Amazon**

**Native to:** The Pacific Coast of Southern Mexico down into Costa Rica

**Predators:**  Birds of Prey, Large Snakes, Large Cat’s, Humans

**Food:** Fruits, Seeds, Nuts, Leaves

**Facts:**

* Yellow naped Amazons are disappearing in the wild due to habitat lose and pollution that has led to a large decline in their numbers in their home range in the wild.
* Like other Parrots yellow naped amazons are excellent talkers and can mimic many sounds that humans make.
* They live in Large breeding groups usually made up of about 15 to 20 individuals or sometimes more in the wild.
* Due to the rapid decline in their wild population in the last 20 yrs there is a ban on exportation for these parrots in their native ranges.
* When they are stressed or excited they display two common behaviors, fanning of their tail feathers and pinning or expansion of their pupils as a warning display.
* Much like many other parrot species Amazons are monogamous maters.

**Defense Mechanisms:**

* Bright Feathers for Camo
* Mimicking other animal sounds
* Strong Bites

**Reproduction:**

* Have a clutch size from 2 to 4 chicks and mate yearly in the spring

**Lifespan:** Between 40 to 50 yrs

**Handling Tips:**

Emerald is excellent with being held by anyone you can take the tee perch if desired but he will step up an down for almost anyone.