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Taveta Golden Weaver

Ploceus castaneiceps

Peoria Zoo Exhibit **Africa!** Small Animal Building

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Habitat: Open woodland

Range: They are found in Kenya and Tanzania

Activity Cycle: Diurnal (awake during the day)

Size: Very small birds— about the size of a finch

Social Structure: Nest in large colonies. Weaver nests can be very intricate, females choose their mate by how well their nest is constructed.

Distinguishing Features: Males are bright golden yellow with greenish wings and tail, and brown patches on the neck and chest. They keep their bright plumage all year. Females are yellowish-olive with dusky streaks and pale yellow underneath with a yellow stripe above each eye.

Diet: Seeds or grass and corn

Life Span: ~20 years

Did you know?

Weavers get their name by the elaborate woven nest that they build.