

Size of a Golden Eagle



Golden eagles can weigh 15 pounds (7 kilograms). They are up to 3 feet (1 meter) tall.

Their wings may stretch more than 7 feet (2 meters) across! Females are bigger than males.



These eagles have hooked beaks with black tips. They are named for the golden feathers on their heads and necks.



Identify a Golden Eagle

feathered ankles



hooked beak



golden head



Dark brown feathers cover the rest of their bodies. The birds even have feathers on their ankles!

Skydiving Hunters



Golden eagles have excellent eyesight. These **carnivores** can see **prey** from far away.

On the Menu



gray squirrels



grouse



jackrabbits



prairie dogs



red foxes



white-tailed deer

They search for food high in the sky or on a **perch** in the distance. They often hunt **mammals** or find **carrion**.