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Front Cover: **ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET** (*Psittacula krameri*)

The **Rose-Ringed Parakeet** (*Psittacula krameri*), is a medium-sized parrot in the genus *Psittacula*, of the family *Psittacidae*. The parrots, brought to Europe and Israel as pets, have established numerous wild populations. Since the 19th century, the rose-ringed parakeet has successfully colonised in many countries. In the wild, rose-ringed parakeets usually feed on buds, fruits, vegetables, nuts, berries, and seeds. Both males and females have the ability to mimic human speech.

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