



SELAMATKAN YAKI 



Protecting the crested black macaques and other endangered animals in North Sulawesi and promoting green job opportunities

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Selamatkan Yaki Program

Selamatkan Yaki is a conservation, research and education programme focusing on protecting the remaining populations of Sulawesi crested black macaque monkeys (*Macaca nigra*).

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The Journey



Yaki



Meet the Yaki

Sulawesi crested black macaque, also known as the Yaki (*Macaca nigra*) is an intelligent and social primate endemic to North Sulawesi region. They are critically endangered and legally protected under Indonesian law. They are known for their distinctive hair and expressive faces and heart bottom



Environment

The Yaki lives in secondary and primary rainforests of North Sulawesi.



Life Cycle

They form complex social groups and can live up to 18 years. They are omnivorous and feed on a wide variety of foods, from seeds, fruits, leaves, eggs to insects and small animals.



Threats to the Yaki Population

1

Habitat loss

due to deforestation, mining, and other human activities.

2

Hunting

The Yaki are also threatened by poaching for meat or as pets.

To overcome the threats of yaki ...

Selamatkan Yaki Working Units

PAM

Protected Area Management

- Strengthening the management of protected area
- Improving the community welfare
- Implementing ecotourism principles for sustainability of the protected areas
- Mitigating the negative human wildlife Interaction

EARS

Education and Awareness Strategy

- Improving people's knowledge of M.nigra
- Organizing awareness campaigns throughout North Sulawesi to promote proconservation behavior
- Connecting yaki conservation with community leaders, and education, religious and cultural institutes.
- Illegal wildlife trade mitigation strategy

Biodiversity Monitoring Unit

Monitoring biodiversity by research using camera trap

Projects PAM

Sustainable Livelihood Approach

focused on local farmer groups by upscaling the benefits of the alternative livelihoods with the use of organic permaculture techniques and hydroponics in Pinangunian Bitung and Toruakat Village Dumoga Timur

FMKH

Forest Conservation Community Forums of Bitung and Manembo-nembo wildlife Reserve

- Patrols in Tangkoko Nature Reserve to monitor the occurrence of illegal activities, immobilize the traps and protect the area from hunters
- Outreach in the villages
- Regular group discussion events

Mitigating the Human Wildlife Interaction

- Monkey guarding to prevent the macaques entering the villages and plantations
- Periodically assessing damage caused by the macaques
- Raising awareness regarding the issue and providing support to the communities

Ecotourism

- Building on the capacity of guides
- SOP for guiding in Nature Recreation park Batuputih Tangkoko

PAM Activities





Projects EARS





Yaki Youth Camp 2021 Minahasa



Schools

41

113



Student

High school

1928



Yaki
Ambassadors

27



Student
Junior high

2566

EARS Activities





Biodiversity Monitoring Unit

Regular macaque population status assessments throughout the region implementing the camera trap occupancy surveys.

62 Camera installed in Protected and non protected area

17.000 Frames

Challenges & Solutions

Challenge	Solution
Poaching & Hunting	Work with local communities to provide alternative livelihoods and income opportunities through sustainable tourism and other activities.
Illegal Wildlife Trade	Strengthen law enforcement efforts, promote awareness and education, and work with stakeholders to develop sustainable and legal markets for wildlife products.
Habitat Loss	Support reforestation initiatives, work with plantation companies to promote responsible land use, and develop landscape-level conservation plans.
Funding support	Need more support from organization for sustainable funding
Consumption interests & income from the use of forest	Reduce the draw and importance of macaque meat as a delicacy and provide alternative ways of sustainable economies in the areas of unsustainable use of forest resources.

Conservation and green economy

How Selamatkan Yaki can contribute



Tangkoko Nature Reserve best practice of green economy



Visitor : 2019-2022 **85.420** IDR **1.552.612.500** (BKSDA 2022)

Interventions from SY to reduce the threat by promoting ecotourism



Guide capacity building :

- English course guiding
- SOP
- Tangkoko Booklet



Conservation can create new jobs

- Field research
- Porters
- Wildlife Photographer



Potential new locations for tourism destination

- Manembo-nembo Wildlife Reserve
- Bogani Nani Wartabone National Park

Interventions from SY to reduce the threat by promoting Alternative Livelihood



Pinangunian Bitung

Permaculture



Toruakat Bolaang
Mongondow

Hydroponic



Kasawari Bitung

Hydroponic

Transformation to green job is it doable?

Facts : North Sulawesi is the centre of wildlife meat market

Wildlife meat was routinely available for sale in 73% of the markets and supermarkets surveyed in North Sulawesi. (Lattine 2020).

Supply chain of wildlife meat



Transforming the a job from hunter or wildlife trader is not easy, but it's doable.



Patroli 7-11 September 2022
3.728 Kg

(Babirusa, Macaca Hecki, Babi hutan, kelelawar, tikus hutan, ular phyton, biawak)



Patroli 2 -5 April 2023
3.990 Kg

(Babi hutan, kelelawar, ular phyton)

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We need your support

Let's save the Yaki and her friends

1 Support Conservation Organizations

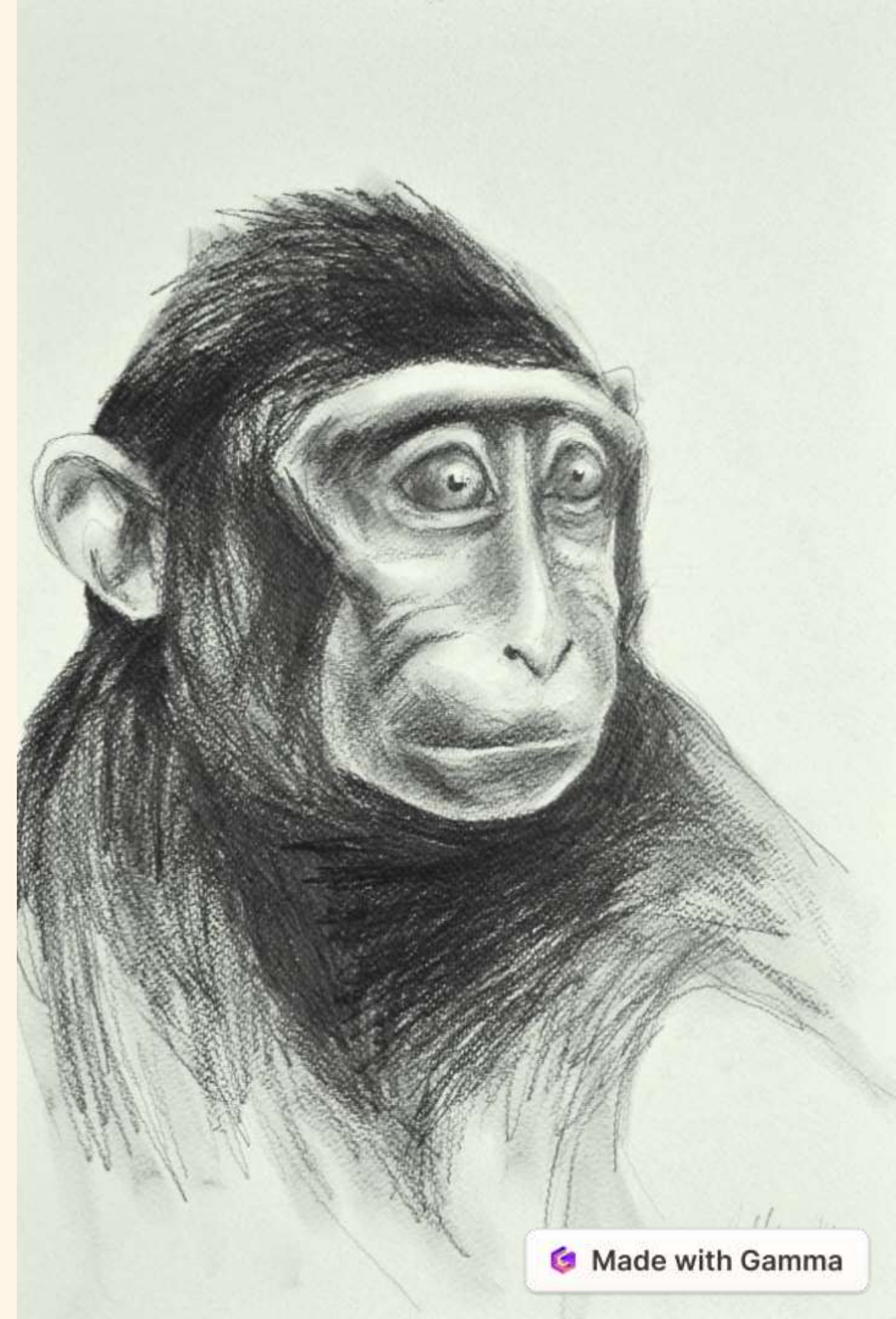
Donate to reputable organizations working towards yaki conservation and spread awareness about their plight

2 Ecotourism

Visit responsible eco-lodges and wildlife reserves serving as yaki habitats, contributing to the local economy and conservation efforts.

3 Spread the word

Use social media and other platforms to inform others about the importance of yaki conservation and the actions they can take.



Conclusion



Endangered Species

Yaki is one of the most endangered primates in the world and their survival remains uncertain without our immediate action.



Biodiversity & Conservation

The Yaki is the flagship species for the conservation of Sulawesi's unique and fragile ecosystems, and their protection is vital to maintaining biodiversity and ecological balance in the region.



Green Economy

Ecotourism is conducted responsibly to conserve the environment and sustain the well-being of local people. Promoting environmental awareness, providing direct financial benefits for conservation, and providing financial benefits and empowerment for local people.

Thank You

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Together we will save the yaki!
When Yaki save, other animal is save too