

### ACE

LEVEL 1B

### Ace

**SPECIES: Peregrine falcon** 

LOG #: 10-0351

**ARRIVAL DATE: April 2010** 

INJURY: Impact fracture to left wing / amputation

Ace arrived as a second-year adult with severe damage to his left wing. After extended efforts to repair the fracture at his left wrist (wing tip), it was determined that amputation was a better option. While the left wing healed well, Ace is no longer able to fly, making him a permanent member of our education team.

QUIRKS: Watch for blood feathers at injury site. Overheats easily on a hot day.

HANDLING TIPS: Needs a relationship. May need to go in a few times to get him used to you and you offering your glove. May need assistance returning to glove when he bates.

**BOXING:** Boxes well.

**RETURNING: Step back onto perch.** 

**CAR SICK: YES - do not feed prior to traveling** 



## IRIS

### **Iris**

**SPECIES: American kestrel** 

LOG #: 17-6426

**ARRIVAL DATE: July 2017** 

INJURY: Injury to right eye / habituation

Iris was brought to Liberty as a juvenile. She had an injury to her right eye and showed evidence of being habituated. When placed in with other kestrels pending release, she failed to demonstrate that she would hunt live food. The likelihood was that she would starve if released. She was determined to be non-reasonable and transferred to our education team.

HANDLING TIPS: During mating season, tends to fly and may land above the door. Do not turn your back on her. But will step up when asked. Can be aggressive so know where she is when you walk in.

BOXING: Boxes well. Be mindful that she spins in her box, tangles jesses and leash and can tend to hobble herself. Check on her occasionally if lengthy time in box. (MONITOR TO UPDATE THIS IN FUTURE)

RETURNING: Step off onto perch and don't turn your back upon leaving.

**CAR SICK: No** 



## PLUTO



### **Pluto**

**SPECIES: Western screech owl** 

LOG #: 21-5432

**ARRIVAL DATE: May 2021** 

**INJURY: Imprint** 

Pluto was delivered by a member of the public advising he had hit a window. Upon assessment, Pluto exhibited several signs of being imprinted and showed little fear of being around humans. It is possible his rescuer had found him and kept him during the imprinting stage without realizing what would happen. Pluto is non-releasable and has quickly become a welcome addition to the education team.

HANDLING TIPS: Will fly back and forth upon collection in mew. It is easier to have 2 people when getting him. Great on glove and on program.

**BOXING:** Boxes well. Tends to go in face first.

RETURNING: Very anticipatory. Step him off onto perch.

**CAR SICK: NO** 



### Irwin



### **Irwin**

**SPECIES: American Kestrel** 

LOG #: 2022-5992

**ARRIVAL DATE: June 2022** 

INJURY: Avian trichomoniasis / habituated

Irwin was found on the ground as a young fledgling with no apparent injury. He arrived extremely calm with stress fractures to his tail, which is indicative of a poor diet. He also had a minor case of avian trichomoniasis, which was quickly treated with medication. After being placed with other wild kestrels, it became clear he had no interest in hunting live prey. He was determined to be non-releasable due to his comfort with humans and was transferred to our education team.

#### **HANDLING TIPS:**

BOXING: Boxes well. During mating season he prefers to go in head first.

**RETURNING: Step off onto perch** 

**CAR SICK: NO**