



We are working for the reintroduction of **the Spix's Macaw** in Brazil



A species that is extinct **in the wild**

Spix's Macaws lived only in **Caatinga**, in the north-east of **Brazil**. **Poaching** and the **destruction of their habitat** led to their decline, until they became fully extinct. The last individual in the wild disappeared in **2000**.

Breeding: **the last chance!**



Fortunately, it was possible to save the last remaining captive birds (held illegally) in the early 2000s. A **breeding programme** then began which allowed the species to be preserved.

Aims of the project :

- To increase the **size of the population**.
- To preserve the **genetic diversity**.

Back "home"



The ultimate goal is to **release** Spix's Macaws reared in captivity **back into the wild in Brazil**. For this reintroduction to be successful, helping the birds to **readjust gradually** to their natural environment is essential.

Aim of the project :

- To teach the birds to be **autonomous in a natural environment**, and in particular to be able to feed and to avoid predators.

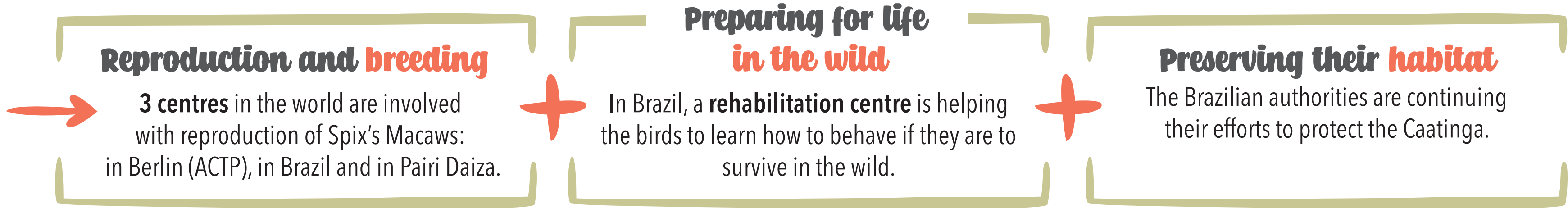
A habitat that is now protected

The region where the Spix's Macaws will be released is **protected** and has undergone enormous **restoration** work.

Aim of the project :

- To restore the trees that are essential for the **nesting** and **food supply** of the Spix's Macaws.

How can we help **the Spix's macaws** to live in their **natural habitat** once again?



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