

Rainforest Explorer with Mateo

Five coloring and activity pages • Ages 6–9

Print. Try. Talk together.



You need pencils or crayons. These pages are selected from a Costa Rica rainforest journal. All five activities stand on their own; you do not need the full book.

- 1 Color the mantled howler monkey, scarlet macaw, and brown-throated three-toed sloth pages.
- 2 Study the claw model and finish the sketch. Then match the curved bill to a flower.
- 3 Use the guide at the end for discussion. There is no single right way to color.

Printing tip: use US Letter paper. Print at actual size (100%). All content fits inside normal printer margins. For two-sided printing, use the long-edge setting.

Mateo's Rainforest Field Journal

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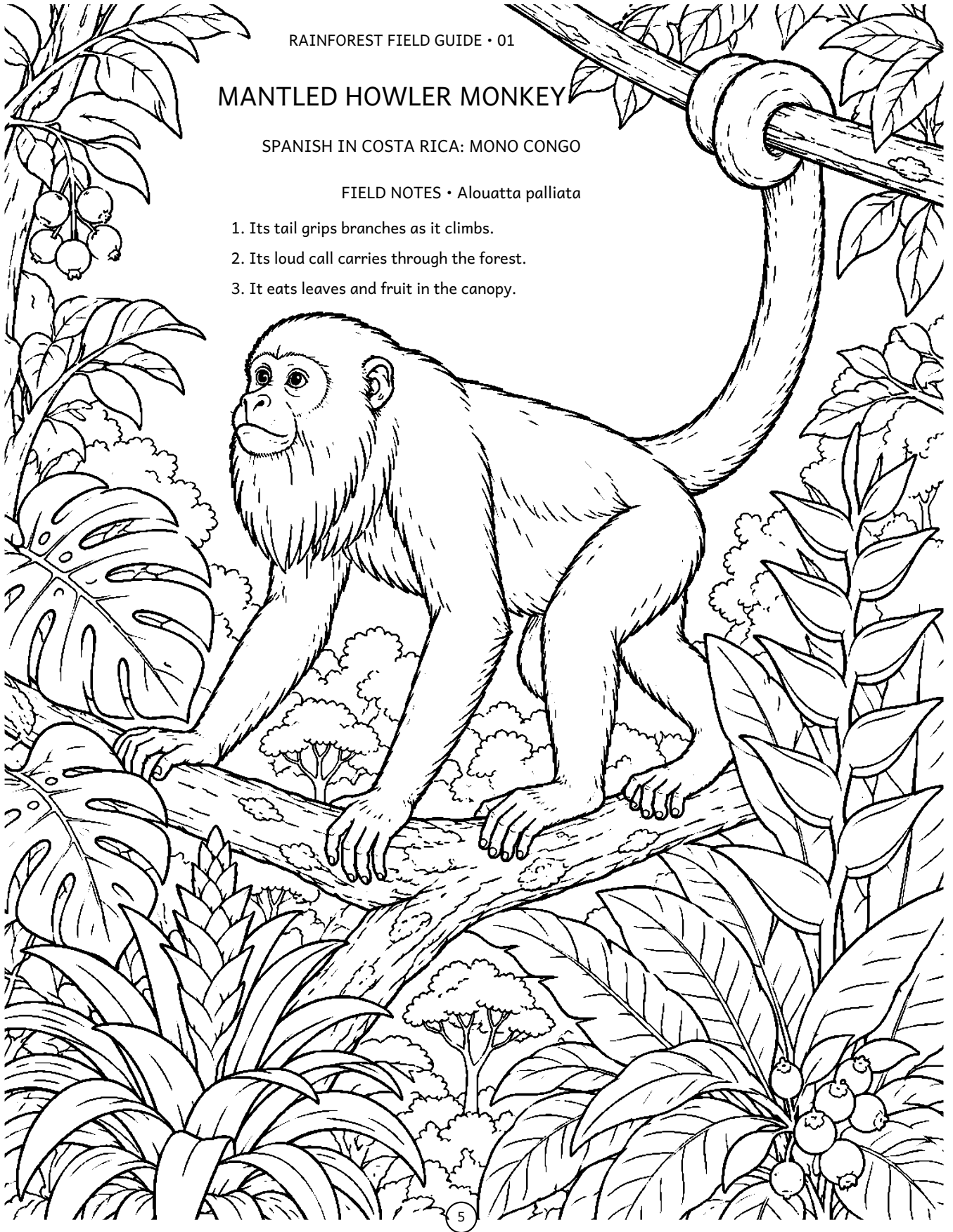
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MANTLED HOWLER MONKEY

SPANISH IN COSTA RICA: MONO CONGO

FIELD NOTES • *Alouatta palliata*

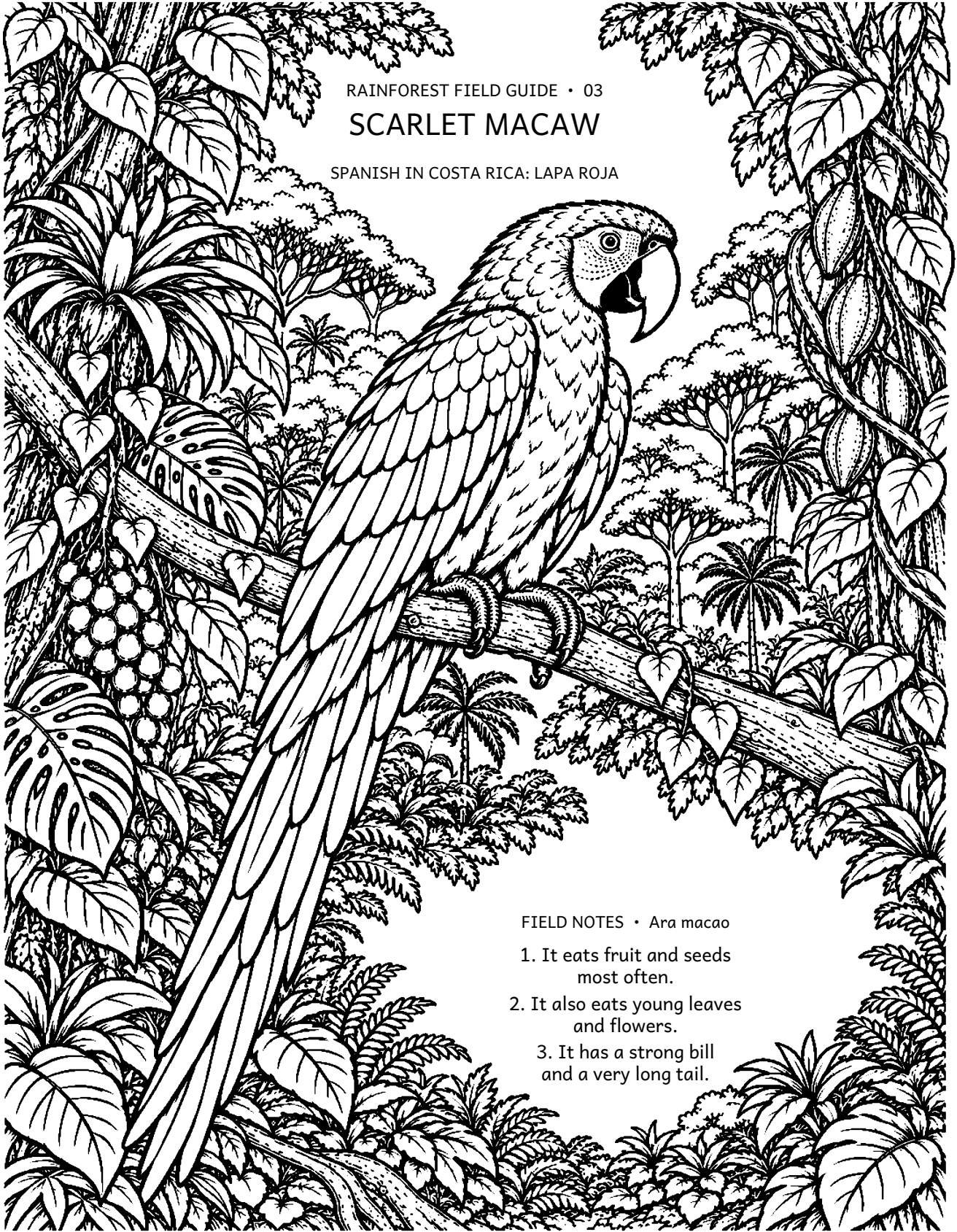
1. Its tail grips branches as it climbs.
2. Its loud call carries through the forest.
3. It eats leaves and fruit in the canopy.



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SCARLET MACAW

SPANISH IN COSTA RICA: LAPA ROJA



FIELD NOTES • *Ara macao*

1. It eats fruit and seeds most often.
2. It also eats young leaves and flowers.
3. It has a strong bill and a very long tail.

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BROWN-THROATED THREE-TOED SLOTH

SPANISH IN COSTA RICA: PEREZOSO DE TRES DEDOS



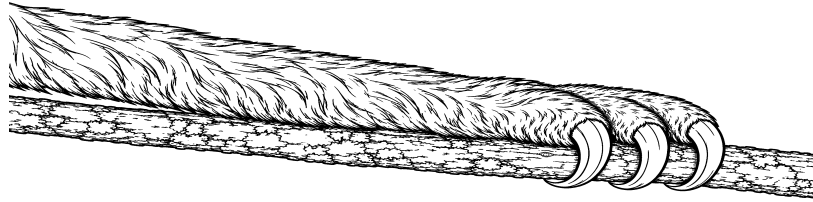
FIELD NOTES • *Bradypus variegatus*

1. Long, curved claws help it hang from branches.
2. It spends much of its time high in the forest.
3. It moves slowly through the canopy.

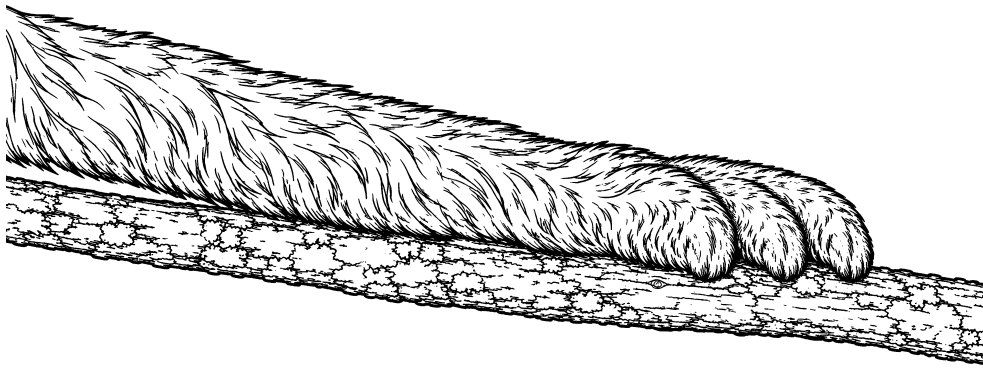
SLOTH CLAW SKETCH

Study the model. Then finish the sloth's branch grip in the drawing frame.

MODEL: THREE CURVED CLAWS



ADD THREE CURVED CLAWS AROUND THE BRANCH.



You may add fur, bark lines, and rainforest leaves in your own way.

THINK

How do curved claws help a sloth in the canopy?

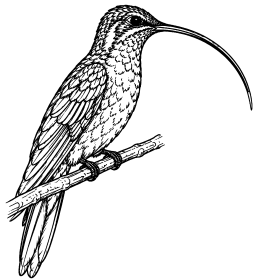
ENGLISH: CLAW

SPANISH: GARRA

BILL & BLOOM MATCH

Circle the bloom whose tube best matches the bill.

OBSERVE THE BILL



LOOK FOR

LONG

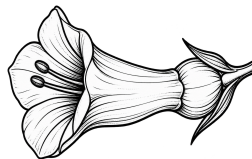
NARROW

STRONGLY CURVED

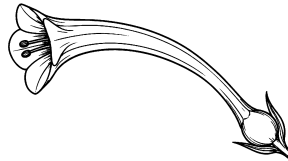
A



B



C



THINK

Why might a curved bill help at a curved flower?

ENGLISH: BILL

SPANISH: PICO

For grown-ups

Answers and gentle prompts

Animal coloring · original pages 5, 13, 21

Color freely. For an observation prompt, ask: What do you notice about the monkey's tail, the macaw's bill, or the sloth's claws?

Sloth claw sketch · original page 23

Add three curved claws around the branch, following the model. The curved claws help the sloth hold branches.

Bill & bloom match · original page 27

Circle C: the long, narrow, curved flower tube. A matching curve can help the bird reach nectar inside.

These five pages come from Mateo's Rainforest Field Journal. Original page and mission numbers are retained. The missions included here do not depend on completing earlier missions.

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Try one page at a time. Read directions aloud, let your child point or answer out loud, and stop for a break when needed.