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# **Phoniscus atrox,** Groove-toothed Trumpet-eared Bat

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### Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Chordata	Mammalia	Chiroptera	Vespertilionidae

Scientific Name: Phoniscus atrox Miller, 1905

#### Synonym(s):

• Kerivoula atrox (Miller, 1905)

#### Common Name(s):

• English: Groove-toothed Trumpet-eared Bat, Gilded Groove-toothed Bat, Groovetoothed Bat

### **Assessment Information**

Red List Category & Criteria:	Near Threatened A2c <u>ver 3.1</u>		
Year Published:	2020		
Date Assessed:	August 4, 2018		

#### Justification:

This bat is listed as Near Threatened as this lowland forest dependent species occurs at low densities, and populations are estimated to have declined at a rate for 25-30% over the last 16.8 years (three generations; generation length = 5.6 years, Pacifici *et al.* 2013) due to significant deforestation within its range, making it close to qualifying for Vulnerable under criterion A2c. This level of decline is predicted to continue due to ongoing deforestation.

#### **Previously Published Red List Assessments**

2008 – Near Threatened (NT) https://dx.doi.org/10.2305/IUCN.UK.2008.RLTS.T10970A3232098.en

1996 – Lower Risk/least concern (LR/LC)

## **Geographic Range**

#### **Range Description:**

This species is known to occur in Peninsular Malaysia, southern Thailand, Sumatra (Indonesia), and Sabah in Malaysian Borneo. The only record from Sarawak is in Gunung Gading National Park (Shazali *et al.* 2018). It is found below 400 m asl. This species may be more widespread and common than is currently known.

#### **Country Occurrence:**

Native, Extant (resident): Indonesia (Kalimantan, Sumatera); Malaysia (Sabah, Sarawak); Thailand

# **Distribution Map**





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## Population

This is an uncommon species that occurs at low densities in primary forest in Malaysia, generally less than 1% of captures in harp traps (T. Kingston pers. comm). Its global population is suspected to have been declining due to forest loss.

Current Population Trend: Decreasing

### Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

This is a forest dependent species. Lekagul and McNeely (1977) reported that the type specimens were found roosting in an abandoned bird's nest (broadbill) in heavy forest on the bank of a river. A recent collection was found in Thailand in disturbed forest at 150 m asl which was adjacent to a large patch of pristine evergreen forest (Thong *et al.* 2006) and Huang *et al.* (2014) collected this species at a coffee plantation adjacent to a forest at Bukit Barisan Indonesia In Malaysia this species is rare but have been recorded near forests. One record by Hasan *et al.* (2012) was the forest where the is a natural hot spring.

Systems: Terrestrial

#### Threats (see Appendix for additional information)

Deforestation due to logging, agriculture, plantations and forest fires represents a major threat to this species.

#### **Conservation Actions** (see Appendix for additional information)

This species is known from protected areas in Vietnam and Malaysia. It also appears on a checklist for the Bukit Barisan National Park in South Sumatra.

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# Appendix

# Habitats

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
1. Forest -> 1.6. Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Moist Lowland	-	Suitable	-

### Threats

#### (http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Threat	Timing	Scope	Severity	Impact Score
2. Agriculture & aquaculture -> 2.1. Annual & perennial non-timber crops -> 2.1.2. Small-holder farming	Ongoing	-	-	Low impact: 3
	Stresses:	1. Ecosyster	n stresses -> 1.1. Ecos	ystem conversion
		1. Ecosyster	n stresses -> 1.2. Ecos	ystem degradation
2. Agriculture & aquaculture -> 2.1. Annual & perennial non-timber crops -> 2.1.3. Agro-industry farming	Ongoing	-	-	Low impact: 3
	Stresses:	1. Ecosyster	n stresses -> 1.1. Ecos	ystem conversion
		1. Ecosyster	n stresses -> 1.2. Ecosy	ystem degradation
5. Biological resource use -> 5.3. Logging & wood harvesting -> 5.3.5. Motivation Unknown/Unrecorded	Ongoing	-	-	Low impact: 3
	Stresses:	1. Ecosyster	n stresses -> 1.2. Ecos	ystem degradation
7. Natural system modifications -> 7.1. Fire & fire suppression -> 7.1.3. Trend Unknown/Unrecorded	Ongoing	-	-	Low impact: 3
	Stresses:	1. Ecosyster	n stresses -> 1.2. Ecos	vstem degradation

## **Conservation Actions in Place**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Conservation Action in Place
In-place land/water protection
Occurs in at least one protected area: Yes

## **Conservation Actions Needed**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

2. Land/water management -> 2.1. Site/area management

### **Research Needed**

(http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes)

Research Needed	
1. Research -> 1.2. Population size, distribution & trends	
1. Research -> 1.3. Life history & ecology	
1. Research -> 1.6. Actions	
3. Monitoring -> 3.1. Population trends	

# **Additional Data Fields**

Distribution		
Lower elevation limit (m): 0		
Upper elevation limit (m): 400		
Population		
Population severely fragmented: No		
Habitats and Ecology		
Generation Length (years): 5.6		

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