

# PALOMA BRAVÍA ROCK DOVE



## PALOMA BRAVÍA COLUMBA LIVIA

Paloma presente en roquedos, interiores y costeros, barrancos de montaña y cortados fluviales. Se identifica por unas bandas negras en las alas y la zona dorsal de la cola blanca. En ambos lados del cuello tiene plumas de un color verdoso y rojizo iridiscente.

Existe una colonia de cría en los cortados del Caminito del Rey. Su presencia le ha dado nombre al Tajo de las Palomas que encontramos a la salida del primer Desfiladero.

Como curiosidad cabe destacar que la paloma bravía es la especie de la que derivan las palomas domésticas. Tradicionalmente la paloma ha sido utilizada como símbolo de la paz o de ideales de pureza.

## ROCK DOVE COLUMBA LIVIA

The rock dove lives in rocky areas such as inland cliffs, mountain peaks and gullies, and river cliffs. It can be identified by the black bars on its wings and uppermost part of the tail, which is white. It has a reddish-purple iridescence along both sides of its neck feathers.

There is a colony of breeding rock doves that nest in the river cliffs at Caminito del Rey, and the Tajo de las Palomas (Cliff of the Doves), which you will find after leaving the first gorge, has been named after them.

Another interesting fact about the rock dove is that it is the wild ancestor of domestic pigeons. Traditionally doves have been used as a symbol of peace or to represent purity.