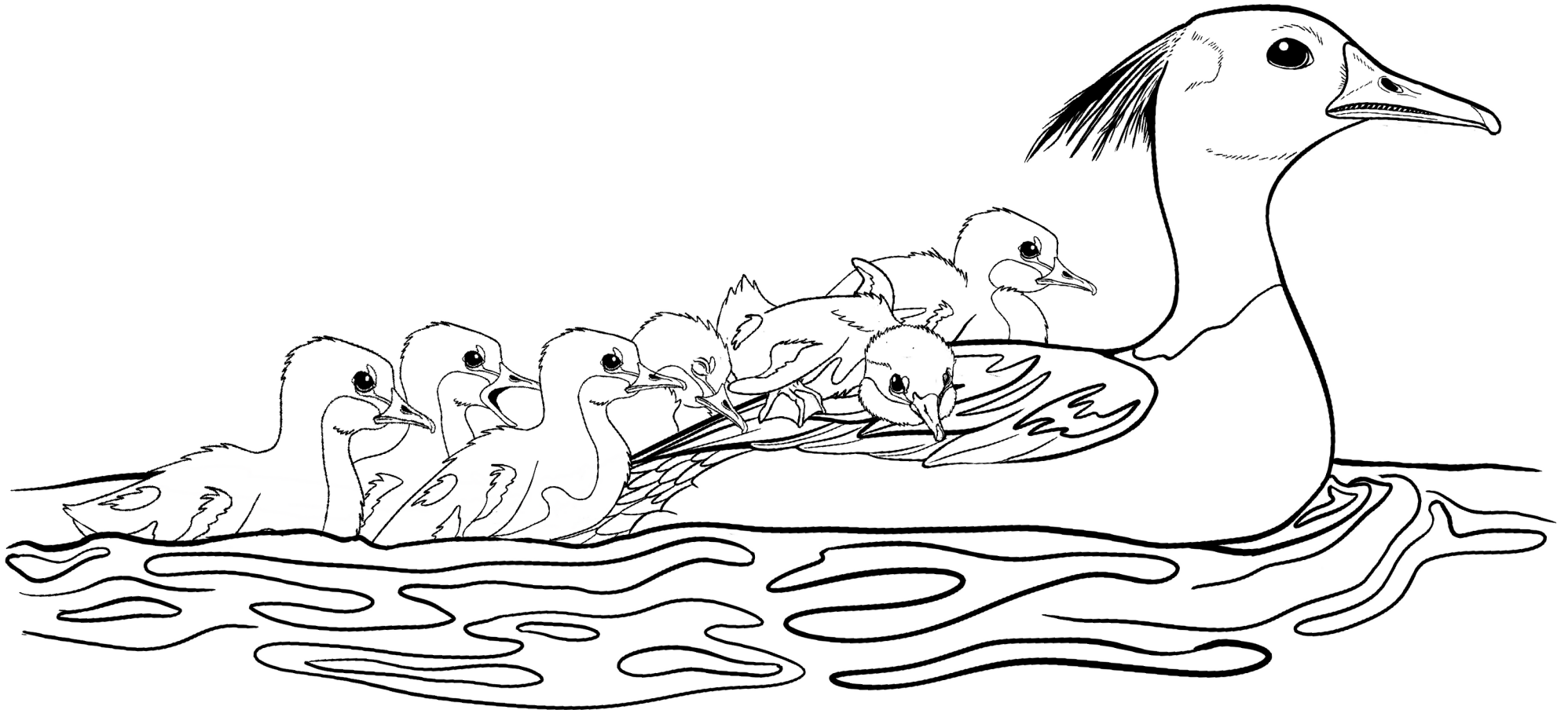


Brazilian Merganser

Native to Brazil

Critically Endangered

These ducks are so rare, they were thought to be extinct, until a wildlife researcher spotted two adults in the year 2000. Since then, conservation efforts are being done to help ensure their survival. These ducks dive underwater for food, and need clear water to do so. Water pollution and habitat loss are the biggest culprits. It is believed that less than 250 are left in the world.



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