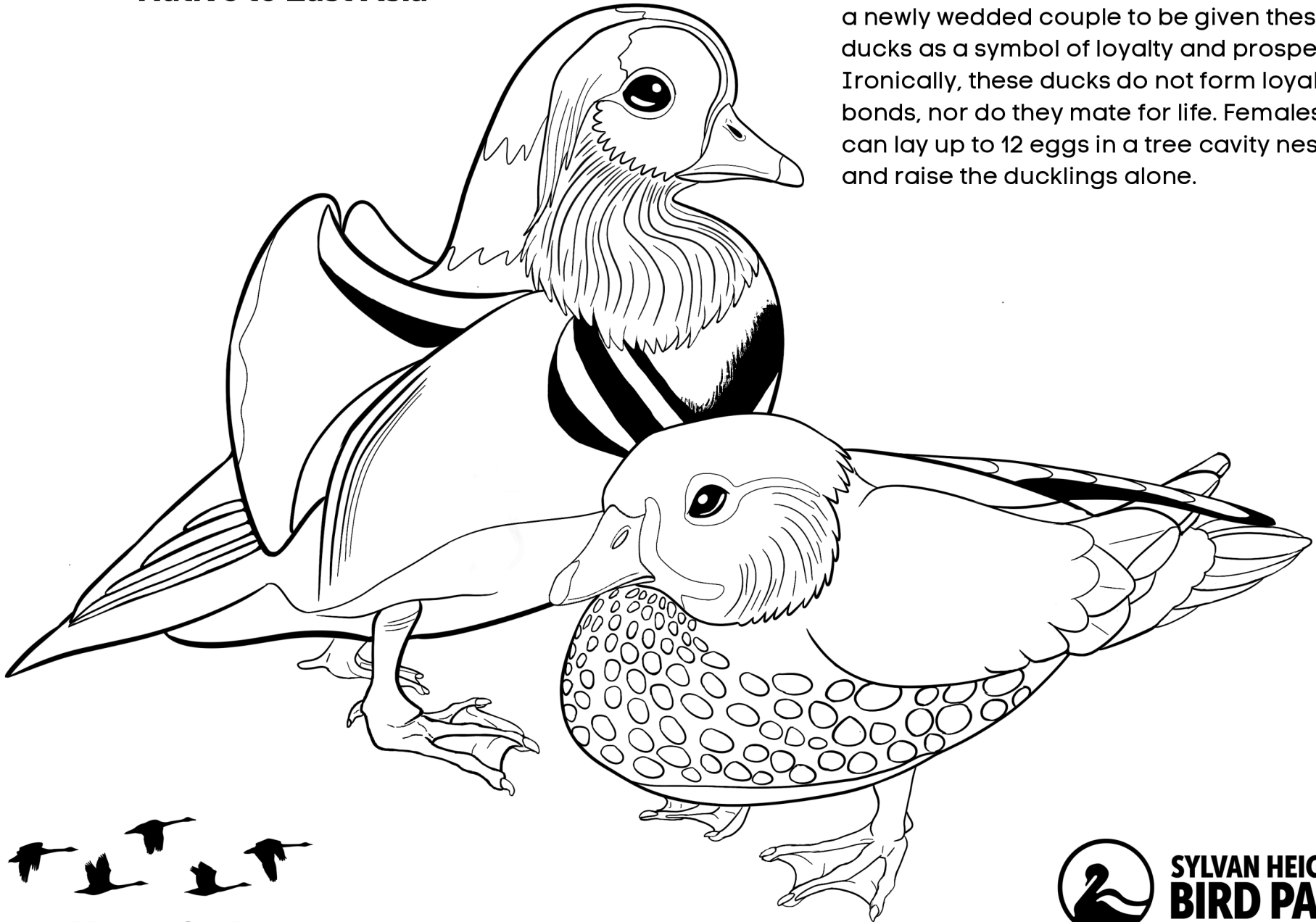


Mandarin Duck

Native to East Asia

These small ducks are common in China and Japan. Males are known for their vibrant colors and unique sail-shaped feathers. In some past Asian cultures, it was tradition for a newly wedded couple to be given these ducks as a symbol of loyalty and prosperity. Ironically, these ducks do not form loyal bonds, nor do they mate for life. Females can lay up to 12 eggs in a tree cavity nest, and raise the ducklings alone.



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