RAPTORS

Some birds of prey are found predominantly from mid-altitude to high altitudes in the mountains. They are particularly abundant near the coast where they often feed on small fish. This makes them an important source of food for many other species. They are also found in the urban areas, feeding on rats and other small animals.

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