

Rana grafi

Taxonomic Authority: Crochet, Dubois, Ohler and Tunner, 1995

Synonyms:

Order: Anura

Notes on taxonomy: Rana grafi is a kleptospecies (hybridogenetic hemilineage) associated with Rana perezi and Rana ridibunda (Crochet et al. 1995).

Region: 10

Common Names:

Rana de Graf Spanish

Family: Ranidae

General Information

Biome Terrestrial Freshwater Marine

Geographic Range of species:

This species is present in southern France and north-eastern Spain (Catalonia, Aragon, Navarra and the Basque Country) (Crochet et al., 1995; Dubois and Ohler, 1994). It is also present in the southern Rhone Valley (Pagano et al., 1997).

Conservation Measures:

It is listed on Appendix III of the Berne Convention. It occurs in a number of protected areas. Monitoring of the population is necessary to determine the degree of decline as a result of invasive species.

Species population information:

The species' population has been greatly affected by the introduction of Rana ridibunda. In many areas where it was previously found only the invasive remains.

Habitat and Ecology Information:

The taxon occurs in mixed colonies with Rana perezi. Its habitats are similar to Rana perezi, being found in a wide variety of temporary and permanent waterbodies (pools, streams, ditches, irrigation canals etc.). The terrestrial habitats include forests, scrubland, agricultural areas and coastal marshes. It breeds in aquatic habitats.

Threats:

The major threat to the species is that it is being displaced from most of its range by the invasive species Rana ridibunda. It is possibly also threatened by the drainage of suitable wetlands for agriculture, urbanisation and tourism. Agrochemical pollution of breeding waterbodies is also presumed to be a threat.

Country Distribution

	Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced	Vagrant
France	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Spain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

FAO Marine Habitats

Native - Presence Confirmed	Native - Presence Possible	Extinct	Reintroduced	Introduced
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Major Lakes

Major Rivers

Upper Level Habitat Preferences

Score

5.1 Wetlands (inland) - Permanent Rivers/Streams/Creeks (includes waterfalls)	1
5.2 Wetlands (inland) - Seasonal/Intermittent/Irregular Rivers/Streams/Creeks	1
5.4 Wetlands (inland) - Bogs, Marshes, Swamps, Fens, Peatlands	2
5.5 Wetlands (inland) - Permanent Freshwater Lakes (over 8ha)	1
5.6 Wetlands (inland) - Seasonal/Intermittent Freshwater Lakes (over 8ha)	1
5.7 Wetlands (inland) - Permanent Freshwater Marshes/Pools (under 8ha)	1
5.8 Wetlands (inland) - Seasonal/Intermittent Freshwater Marshes/Pools (under 8ha)	1
11.1 Artificial/Terrestrial - Arable Land	1
11.2 Artificial/Terrestrial - Pastureland	1
11.6 Artificial/Terrestrial - Subtropical/Tropical Heavily Degraded Former Forest	1

Lower Level Habitat Preferences

Score

Marsh Wetland	2
Mire, Bog, Fen	2

Major threats

Code	Description of threat	Past	Present	Future
1	Habitat Loss/Degradation (human induced)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1	Agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Conservation Measures

Code	Conservation measures	In place	Needed
1	Policy-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2	Legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1.1.1	Crops	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.2.1	Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.1.1.3	Agro-industry farming	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.2.1.1	International level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.1.4	Livestock	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.2.2	Implementation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.1.4.3	Agro-industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.2.2.1	International level	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.4	Infrastructure development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3	Research actions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4.2	Human settlement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.1	Taxonomy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.4.3	Tourism/recreation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.2	Population numbers and range	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	Invasive alien species (directly affecting the species)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.3	Biology and Ecology	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.1	Competitors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.4	Habitat status	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Pollution (affecting habitat and/or species)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.5	Threats	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6.3	Water pollution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.8	Conservation measures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6.3.1	Agriculture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3.9	Trends/Monitoring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4	Habitat and site-based actions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.1	Maintenance/Conservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.4	Protected areas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.4.1	Identification of new protected areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
					4.4.2	Establishment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
					4.4.3	Management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Utilisation of Species

Purpose/Type of Use	Subsistence	National	International	Other purpose:
Primary forms removed from the wild	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25% <i>Other forms removed from the wild:</i>
Source of specimens in commercial trade	100%	>75%	51-75%	26-50% <25% <i>Other source of specimens:</i>

Trend in wild offtake/harvest in relation to total wild population numbers over last five years:

Trend in offtake/harvest produced through domestication/cultivation over last five years:

CITES: Not listed

Red Listing

Red List Assessment: Near Threatened (NT) Possibly Extinct

Red List Criteria:

Rationale for the Red List Assessment: Listed as Near Threatened due to an observed decline as a result of competition from the introduced species *Rana ridibunda*. The rate of decline is probably close to 30% over the last 10 years making it close to qualifying for Vulnerable.

Current Population Trend: Decreasing

Date of Assessment: 4/5/2005

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Notes on Red listing:

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