

Hornbills of North Bengal

An information booklet about the forest hornbills found in North Bengal.

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Introduction

Nature Mates-Nature Club
(NMNC), Kolkata in
collaboration with Nature
Conservation Foundation (NCF),
Mysore initiated the North Bengal
hornbill project from November
2017 onwards.

In Buxa Tiger Reserve, Nature

Mates & NCF have been engaged
in studying the breeding biology
of four sympatric hornbill species,
conducting an occupancy survey
to understand the distribution /
abundance of hornbills through
field surveys and monitoring
hornbill roost sites. Along with
this, the project is also exploring
opportunities for partnership with
the Forest Department, Tourist
Guides Association and local

community members to enable a long-term hornbill monitoring and protection program.

In Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary and Neora Valley National Park an occupancy framework-based survey was conducted in November 2018 - February 2019.

NCF has been working for over two decades on hornbill conservation and research, partnering with local communities and the forest department in the North-east and Western Ghat landscapes of India. Some of the information in this brochure has been extracted from NCF's ongoing hornbill research in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam.

Hornbill facts

- Large bills, often with horn-like structures on top called casques
- Distinctive calls, often harsh, loud or noisy
- Prominent long eyelashes
- Loud wing beats of some large hornbills like the Great and Wreathed hornbill
- Known as "farmers of the forest" for their ability to disperse seeds over long distances

In India, there are nine species of hornbills.



Artwork: Arjun Srivathsa

Breeding biology of hornbills

- Hornbills nest in already existing cavities of large trees
- They cannot make or build their own cavity. Therefore, they are called secondary cavity-nesters
- Hornbills also exhibit site fidelity. Most pairs re-use the same cavity in the next breeding season
- The pair selects a nest and cleans it together
- The female enters the cavity and seals herself by plastering the cavity opening mainly with her droppings, leaving only a tiny slit in the seal
- The female lays eggs within a few days to a week of entering the nest
- The incubation period varies across hornbill species, but is estimated to be 40-55 days for the large-sized hornbills such as the Great and Wreathed hornbill





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- After the female seals herself, the male delivers food at the nest throughout the breeding season
- For the Great hornbill, the female exits the cavity after three months in June, leaving the chick alone in the nest for another month
- For the Wreathed, Oriental Pied and Rufous-necked hornbills, the mother and chick may exit together or the chick may exit 1 or 2 days later
- The nesting duration: the period from female entry till the chick fledging varies from 3 to 4 months depending on the hornbill species

Diet

- Asian forest hornbills mainly eat fruits: 90-95% of their diet
- Figs are a significant part of their fruit diet but they also feed on other non-fig fruits
- Hornbills also feed on variety of insects, crabs, lizards and snakes, amphibians, birds and eggs of other birds



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Hornbill roosting

- Hornbills gather in the evenings to roost together
- They often roost along streams/rivers in open habitat on riverside trees
- Social interactions between individuals are observed at roost sites
- Occasionally, individuals of different species may also roost together. This is called communal roosting

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North Bengal Hornbills

Five species of hornbills are found in North Bengal (the Indian grey hornbill, the Great hornbill the Wreathed hornbill, the Oriental Pied hornbill and the Rufous-necked hornbill), with the last four species found in forests. The Indian grey hornbill is found in rural landscapes and near villages and towns.

North Bengal forms the

westernmost distributional

limit for two species -Wreathed hornbill and the Rufous-necked hornbill. Apart from the Oriental Pied hornbill which is listed as 'Least Concern' by the IUCN Red List, all the other three species found in forests of North Bengal - Great hornbill, Wreathed hornbill and Rufous-necked hornbill- are listed as 'Vulnerable' in the IUCN's Red List of Threatened Species.



Buxa Tiger reserve landscape. Photo: Kabir Pradhan

Great hornbill

Scientific name:

Buceros bicornis

Local names:

Bengali: Dhanesh;

Nepali: Hongrayo; Dukpa: Ghora

Identifying characteristics: This

hornbill has a large yellow beak and a large casque on top of its upper beak. It has a white tail with a horizontal black band. The male has red eyes with black skin around the eyes. The female has white eyes with red skin around the eyes. The male also has black colour between the casque and beak, and behind the casque. The female has a red colour behind the casque.

Its white tail with a horizontal black band, and its white neck and wing bars, are striking in flight. The wing edges are tipped with whiteMale: red eyes with black skin around the eyes.
Female: white eyes with red skin around the eyes.

Call: It has a loud call that sounds like kok-kok. When this bird flies, the flapping of the wings can also be heard from a distance.



Artwork: Arjun Srivathsa

Size: It is the largest among Asian hornbills and weighs over 3 kg. 2.1-3.9 kg; 112-150 cm

Breeding biology:

Pre-breeding (nest searching and courtship): January - February.

Nest entry and sealing by female: Last week of February to March (February 27 -6 March in Buxa Tiger Reserve).

Female emergence: Three months after female entry (May 25 - June 11 in Buxa Tiger Reserve).

Chick fledging: About four months after female entry (June 21 - 3 July in Buxa Tiger Reserve).

Total nesting duration: 103 - 137 days (mean 121 days) in Pakke Tiger Reserve and 114 - 117 days (mean 115 days) in Buxa Tiger Reserve.



Left: Female, Right: Male Artwork: Saniya Chaplod

Distribution:

In India: rainforests of the Western Ghats, the rainforests of north-east India, and along the lower Himalayan mountains of north Bengal and Uttaranchal. Bhutan, Nepal, Thailand, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos, parts of Malaysia, Indonesia and China, and some islands in South-east Asia.

Best places for sightings in North Bengal:

Lower to mid-elevation areas in and around Buxa TR, Gorumara WS and Mahananda WS.

During the non-breeding season in winter, sightings are also reported from areas around Darjeeling and Kalimpong.



A Great hornbill chick's first look outside the nest Photo: Karishma Pradhan



A Great hornbill chick on the day of chick fledging Photo: Karishma Pradhan

Oriental Pied hornbill

Scientific name:

Anthracoceros albirostris

Local names:

Bengali: *Dhanesh*; Nepali: *Dhanesh*

Identifying

characteristics: A black and white coloured hornbill, with an almost cylindrical casque that has black marks on its tip. It has brown irises with light blue skin around them. It has a black tail with white tips and pale blue throat patches and circumorbital skin.

Male and female are similar, but females are smaller and have black markings at the tip of bill and casque and a red spot on the lower mandible. **Call:** They are noisy and have a cackling call that sounds like kekkek-kek.

Size: They are medium-sized hornbills, weight ranges from 500-800 gm; 60-85 cm length.

Male: Creamy bill with black base on lower mandible, casque cylindrical, projecting front part



Artwork: Arjun Srivathsa

black; Female: Smaller bill and casque marked with black, red spot on lower mandible. Both have pale blue bare skin around eyes. White on outer tail tips and trailing wing edges seen in flight. Size: 500-900 gm; 60-85 cm.

Breeding biology

Pre-breeding (courtship and nest searching): January - March.

Nest entry and sealing by female: late March - early May (March 26 - May 8 in Pakke TR and April 12 -April 18 in Buxa TR).

Chick fledging: June - July (June 28 - July 27 in Pakke TR).

Total nesting duration: 76-110 days (mean 94 days) in Pakke
Tiger Reserve. There has been no successful chick fledging till date from Buxa TR in both the years.



A pair of Oriental Pied hornbill Photo: NCF Left: Female, Right: Male

Distribution:

In India: foothills of the Himalaya in Uttaranchal, parts of Bihar, North Bengal and Northeast India.

Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam, parts of China and Malaysia.

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Best places for sightings in North Bengal:

Lower elevation areas of Buxa TR, Mahananda WS and Gorumara WS. Secondary forests and sometimes near human habitation adjoining these forests.



An OPH chick after emerging from nest Photo: Vijay Tachang

Wreathed hornbill

Scientific name:

Rhyticeros undulatus

Local names:

Bengali: Dhanesh;

Nepali: Ghek bhako dhanesh

Identifying characteristics: This large

hornbill is mostly black, with a fully white tail. The casque on the beak have neat furrows or wreaths.

The male is coloured chestnut
-brown on the head, and has a
bright yellow throat pouch. The
female is coloured black and has
a bright blue throat. Both have
an incomplete black bar on their
throat pouch.

This hornbill is mostly black, with a fully white tail.

Male: Chestnut-brown on the head with a yellow throat pouch. Female: black with a blue throat. Both have an incomplete black bar on their throat pouch. There are neat furrows or wreaths on the upper beak.

All juvenile birds look like males, if they are female, they change to female colouration after 1-2 years.



Artwork: Arjun Srivathsa

Call: They have a call with three notes that sounds like oek-uk-uk. The flight of these birds can also be heard from a distance.

Size: Average weight is about 2.5 kg. Variation between sexes: 1.4-3.6 kg; 84-117 cm.

Breeding biology:

Pre-breeding behavior (courtship and nest searching):

January - February.

Nest entry and sealing by female: March - early April (March 5 -April 10 in Pakke TR and March 20 - March 28 in Buxa TR).

Chick fledging: late July-early
August (July 18 - August 6 in
Pakke TR and first week of August
in Buxa TR - based on one known
exit date in Buxa TR).



Left: Male, Right: female Artwork: Saniya Chaplod

Total nesting duration:118-142 days (mean 128 days) in Pakke TR. Nesting duration is not known from Buxa TR as either the entry date or exit date is not known from any of the active nests of Wreathed hornbill in Buxa TR.

Distribution: In India: forested hills of north Bengal and north-east India. North Bengal is the westernmost limit of their

global range.
Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan,
Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia,
Laos, Vietnam, Malaysia,
Indonesia and some islands in
South-east Asia.

Best places for sightings in North Bengal:

Lower to mid-elevation forests of Buxa TR.



Male Wreathed hornbill delivering a fruit of Chisocheton cumingianus at nest. Photo: Aparajita Datta



A Wreathed hornbill chick at a nest in Pakke Tiger Reserve. Photo: Khem Thapa

Rufous-necked hornbill

Scientific name:

Aceros nipalensis

Local names:

Bengali: Lal galla dhanesh; Nepali: Kukur dhanesh, Raato khaley/ghek dhanesh;

Dukpa: Tekte

Identifying characteristics: It gets its name from the colour of the male, which is rufous-brown on its head, neck and breast.

The skin on the throat pouch of both is red with a blue patch around each eye. Black ridges on the upper half of the beak and no casque. Upper half of the tail is black, while the lower part is white.

Male: Rufous-brown on its head, neck and breast. Female: fully black.

Call: Their call sounds like short barks - "thok - thok".

Size: 2.3-2.5 kg; 99-122 cm.

Breeding biology:

Pre-breeding behavior (courtship



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and nest searching): January - February.

Nest entry and sealing by female: Usually in the last 2 weeks of April (ranges from 22 March to 1 May) in Buxa TR.

Chick fledging: July - mid-August (19 July to 8 August in Buxa TR)

Total nesting duration: 99-121 days in Buxa TR



A Rufous-necked hornbill pair Left: Female, Right: Male Photo: Parag Gurung

Distribution:

In India: Himalayan foothills, north Bengal, Sikkim, eastwards to Arunachal Pradesh, and in the hills of Nagaland, Manipur and Mizoram. The elevational range where they are seen is usually from 500 m up to 2500 m.

Bhutan, Myanmar, Thailand, parts of China and Vietnam. They are believed to be extinct in Nepal.



A juvenile hornbill with its parents. The black ridges on the beak help estimate the age of the hornbill Photo: Anmol Rai

Best places for sightings in North Bengal:

Higher elevation areas of Buxa TR, Mahananda WS and Neora Valley NP.



A Rufous-necked hornbill chick before fledging Photo: Parag Gurung

Competition for nests

Hornbills cannot make or build their own cavities. Hornbills may also lose their cavity due to loss of nest tree during storms, felling of nest trees, shrinking of cavity, sinking of nest floor or competition from other animals. The availability of suitable nesting cavities, thus, act as a limiting factor to the hornbill population.

This often leads to intra and/or inter-specific competition between hornbill pairs during the breeding period.

In Buxa Tiger Reserve, a Great hornbill pair was observed disturbing a breeding Rufous-necked hornbill female and chick that were enclosed in the cavity.

In Pakke Tiger Reserve and the surrounding Reserve Forest, there are many instances of nest takeovers by different hornbill species which indicates inter-specific competition for limited nest sites.



A male Great hornbill at the cavity occupied by a breeding Rufous-necked hornbill female Photo: Sitaram Mahato

Hornbill diet

Hornbills love to eat the ripe, soft fruits of many trees in the rainforest. Around 90-95% of the diet of the large Asian forest hornbills is fruits. The fruits that they eat are usually black, orange or red in colour. They fly over large distances in search of food, and when they find fruits, they swallow them, eating only the flesh and throwing out the big seeds, mostly unharmed. They also love fig fruits. The tiny seeds of figs are passed out in their droppings.

Our study in Buxa TR has shown that during the breeding season, the diet of the Great hornbill consists of 42% of figs, 47% of non-fig fruits and 11% animal items.



A male Rufous-necked hornbill delivering fruits at a nest in Latpanchar, a village localed in the fringes of Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary Photo: Annol Rai



A male Great hornbill delivering Tokay gecko at the nest Photo: Karishma Pradhan

Seed dispersal

Hornbills are like the farmers of the forest, sowing seeds wherever they go. Our studies have documented that hornbills eat and disperse the seeds of around 100 tree species in Pakke TR. Hornbills swallow the fruits whole, and regurgitate the seeds unharmed away from parent fruiting trees. Hornbills were estimated to disperse 600-11,600 seeds per day per km2 in a study in Namdapha TR.

The two larger hornbill species can disperse seeds as far as 10-13 km. The large gape size of hornbills enables them to handle larger fruits compared to smaller birds, therefore, their role in seed dispersal, especially of large-seeded trees, is very critical in tropical forests.



Regurgitated seeds from below a Rufous-necked hornbill nest. Photo: Debapratim Saha

Predators

Yellow-throated marten, binturong, and raptors are some known predators of hornbills. Occasionally, snakes are also known to prey on hornbill eggs. During the breeding season, hornbills are more vulnerable to predation as the female and chick are imprisoned inside the cavity.

In Pakke TR, a Yellow-throated marten was seen entering the cavity and preying upon on a Wreathed hornbill chick. The chick was preparing to emerge from the nest. In another instance, two yellow-throated martens entered a Great hornbill nest and preyed on the chick.



A Crested Serpent eagle perched above an active hornbill nest. The male GH aggressively chased it away soon after.

Photo: Kishan Das



A Yellow-throated marten inside the Wreathed hornbill nest Photo: Khem Thapa and Tali Nabam

Mortality at nests

Apart from predation, there are other threats that increase the chance of hornbill mortality during the breeding season. Some nest trees are known to fall during heavy storms with the female hornbill and chick still inside. Death of male hornbills (due to poaching of the male) during the breeding season may lead to the abandoning of the nest by the female hornbill, posing a grave threat to the chick's life.

In an unusual instance in Buxa TR, a female hornbill was seen stuck at the cavity entrance – it appears her feet/claws had got stuck. She was observed dead at the cavity while trying to emerge from the nest. This would also lead to chick mortality, since the chick would also be unable to exit the nest, as the cavity was blocked by the dead female. Poaching of nests during the breeding season is another major threat to the hornbill population. Once a hornbill nest is known to a poacher, hornbills nesting in that cavity are prone to getting poached every year.





A female hornbill found dead at the cavity opening, after 125 days of nesting. Photo: Sitaram Mahato

Table 1: List of hornbill nest tree species from Arunachal **Pradesh and North Bengal**

S.no	Nest tree species	Family	Hornbill species	Location
1	Tetrameles nudiflora	Datiscaceae	GH, OPH, RNH, WH	Buxa TR, Latpanchar (fringes of Mahananda WS), Pakke TR
2	Schima wallichi	Theaceae	GH, RNH	Buxa TR
3	Terminalia bellerica	Combretaceae	ОРН	Buxa TR
4	Shorea robusta	Dipterocarpaceae	RNH	Buxa TR
5	Syzygium sp.	Myrtaceae	RNH	Buxa TR
6	UNID species	Lauraceae	WH	Buxa TR
7	Ailanthus grandis	Simaroubaceae	GH, OPH, RNH, WH	Buxa TR, Latpanchar (fringes of Mahananda WS), Pakke TR
8	Altingia excelsa	Altingiaceae	RNH	Pakke TR/ Papum RF
9	Terminalia myriocarpa	Combretaceae	RNH	Namdapha TR



Ailanthus grandis, is locally known as Gokul in North Bengal. A Great hornbill pair has been nesting on this particular tree for many years. This is also the second most common nest tree species in Pakke Tiger Reserve.

Photo: Karishma Pradhan



Shorea robusta also popularly known as the Sal tree is a fairly common tree species



Tetrameles nudiflora, is locally called Moina in North Bengal. This species forms 47% of hornbill nest trees in Buxa TR and about 85-90% of nest trees in Pakke TR. This tree species has been used by four species of hornbills for nesting in BTR. Photo: Karishma Pradhan

found in the Himalayan foothills. The Sal tree is one of the dominating and important tree species of BTR. Photo: Sitaram Mahato

Table 2: List of hornbill food plants from Arunachal Pradesh and North Bengal

Sno.	Family	Plant species	Bengali/ Nepali name	Hornbill species	Location observed
1	Anacardiaceae	Spondias pinnata	-	-	Pakke TR (one feeding observation)
2	Annonaceae	Polyathia simiarum	Lapche	GH, WH, RNH	Buxa & Pakke TR
3	Annonaceae	Polyalthia sp. 2	-	-	Pakke TR
4	Arecaceae	Livistona jenkinsiana	-	-	Pakke TR
5	Bignoniaceae	Oroxylum indicum	-	ОРН	Pakke TR (once feeding on flowers)
6	Burseraceae	Canarium resiniferum	-	-	Pakke TR
7	Burseraceae	Canarium strictum	-	GH, RNH, WH	Namdapha TR
8	Burseraceae	Canarium sp.	Lohakat	GH, RNH, WH	Buxa TR, Latpanchar
9	Elaeocarpaceae	Elaeocarpus sphaericus	Rudraksh	-	Pakke & Namdapha TR (two feeding observations)
10	Elaeocarpaceae	Sloanea sterculiaceae	Bhalu katus	-	Buxa & Pakke TR
11	Gnetaceae	Gnetum ula	-	-	Pakke TR
12	Icacinaceae	Platea latifolia	-	WH	Pakke TR
13	Lauraceae	Actinodaphne angustifolia	-	-	Pakke TR (one feeding observation)
14	Lauraceae	Actinodaphne obovata	-	-	Buxa & Pakke TR

15	Lauraceae	Alseodaphne petiolaris	-	-	Namdapha TR
16	Lauraceae	Alseodaphne peduncularis	-	-	Pakke TR
17	Lauraceae	Beilschmeidia assamica	-	RNH,WH	Eaglenest WLS, Namdapha & Pakke TR
18	Lauraceae	Beilschmiedia roxburghiana	-	RNH	Namdapha & Pakke TR
19	Lauraceae	Beilschmiedia gammieana	-	-	Pakke TR
20	Lauraceae	Beilschmeidia sp.	Jungli Jalpai	GH, RNH	Buxa TR, Latpanchar
21	Lauraceae	Cinnamommum cecicodaphne	-	-	Pakke TR
22	Lauraceae	Cinnamomum bejolghota	-	-	
23	Lauraceae	Cinnamomum sp.	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
24	Lauraceae	Cryptocarya amygdalina	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS, Pakke TR
25	Lauraceae	Cryptocarya andersonii	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
26	Lauraceae	Litsea panamonja	-	RNH	Buxa & Pakke TR
27	Lauraceae	Litsea chinensis	-	-	Pakke TR
28	Lauraceae	Litsea monopetala	-	-	Pakke TR
29	Lauraceae	Litsea messnei	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
30	Lauraceae	Litsea salicifolia	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
31	Lauraceae	Litsea cubeba	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
32	Lauraceae	Litsea assamica	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS

33	Lauraceae	Litsea khasyana	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
34	Lauraceae	Litsea lancifolia	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
35	Lauraceae	Machilus duthiei	-	GH, RNH, WH	Namdapha TR
36	Lauraceae	Machilus sp.	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
37	Lauraceae	Neolitsea umbrosa	-	-	Pakke TR
38	Lauraceae	Phoebe sp.	Petpete	GH, WH	Buxa & Namdapha TR
39	Lauraceae	Phoebe Ianceolata	-	-	Pakke TR
40	Lauraceae	Phoebe attenuata	-	-	Pakke TR
41	Lauraceae	Phoebe cooperiana	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS, Pakke TR
42	Lauraceae	Phoebe cf. goalparensis	-	-	
43	Lauraceae	Persea sp.	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
44	Leguminosae	Milletia pachycarpa	-	-	Pakke TR
45	Magnoliaceae	Talauma hodgsonii	-	-	Pakke TR
46	Magnoliaceae	Michelia champaca	-	-	Eaglenest WLS Namdapha & Pakke TR
47	Magnoliaceae	Michelia velutinosa	-	RNH	Neora Valley NP
48	Meliaceae	Aglaia spectabilis	Lali/Jante Lali	GH, RNH	Buxa & Pakke TR, Eaglenest WLS, Latpanchar

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66	Moraceae	Ficus obtusifolia	-	-	
67	Moraceae	Ficus roxburghii	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
68	Moraceae	Ficus hirta	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
69	Moraceae	Ficus cf. tsjahela	-	GH, RNH, WH	Namdapha TR
70	Moraceae	Ficus rumphii	-	-	Buxa & Pakke TR, Kaziranga NP
71	Moraceae	Artocarpus chaplasha	-	-	Pakke TR
72	Myristicaceae	Horsfieldia kingii	Ramgua -	GH, RNH	Buxa & Pakke TR, Latpanchar
73	Myristicaceae	Knema erratica	-	-	Pakke TR
74	Myristicaceae	Knema linifolia	-	-	Pakke TR
75	Myrtaceae	Syzygium cumini	Jam/Jamun/ Jamuna	GH	Buxa TR
76	Myrtaceae	Syzygium syzygioides	-	-	Pakke TR
77	Myrtaceae	Syzygium formosum	-	RNH	Eaglenest WLS
78	Oleaceae	Chionanthus sp.	-	RNH, WH	Buxa & Namdapha TR
79	Phyllanthaceae	Bridelia retusa	-	-	Pakke TR (one feeding observation)
80	Rhamnaceae	Zizyphus sp.	-	-	Pakke TR (one feeding observation)
81	Rosaceae	Prunus ceylanica)	-	RNH, WH	Namdapha & Pakke TR
82	Rosaceae	Prunus sp. 2	-	-	Pakke TR

83	Rubiaceae	Hyptianthera stricta	-	-	Pakke TR
84	Rutaceae	**Zanthoxylum rhetsa	-	-	Pakke TR
85	Simaroubaceae	Picrasma javanica	-	-	Pakke TR
86	Sterculiaceae	Sterculia villosa	-	-	Pakke TR
87	Urticaceae	Laportea crenulata	-	-	Pakke TR (only one feeding observation)
88	Verbenaceae	Vitex glabrata	-	-	Pakke TR
89	Verbenaceae	Callicarpa arborea	-	-	Pakke TR
90	Vitaceae	Leea indica	-	-	Pakke TR
	9 more unidentified species	1 liana, 2 fig and six others	-	-	Pakke TR

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