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Although not the largest African eagle, the African Crowned Eagle Stephanoaetus coronatus is generally considered to be the most powerful. It has massive talons, and inhabits forest or well-wooded country, hunting by stealth, either by dropping from a branch onto prey such as a Blue Duiker, or by surprising Vervet Monkeys in the treetops in a surprise aerial attack. The largest kill on record is of a Bushbuck weighing 18 kilograms – 5 times the weight of the eagle. The nest is an enormous structure placed in the fork of a large forest tree, some that have been used for many years measure 2 m across and 3 m in depth.

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