Aquarium and Zoo Titles
Spring 2020
**Planet Elephant**

Tammie Matson

**Summary**

From the wild savannahs of Kenya to the black markets of Vietnam, Tammie Matson continues her quest to reduce human-elephant conflict around the world. In this follow-up to her bestselling memoir *Elephant Dance*, Tammie takes on the illegal wildlife trade of Asia determined to break the chains of rhinoceros poaching and the ivory trade. Travelling throughout south-east Asia, she meets presidents and traffickers in palaces and tourist markets, journeying to the dark heart of a dark industry. Returning to her beloved Africa, she finds old friends facing rough times and animals on the brink. Torn between her passionate commitment to conservation and her precious growing family, Tammie faces her biggest challenges yet. A compelling account from one of Australia's leading wildlife warriors, *Planet Elephant* is a rallying cry for wildlife in crisis.

**Contributor Bio**

Tammie Matson is an Australian wildlife conservationist with a grand passion for Africa and all its wildlife, especially elephants. She worked for many years in southern Africa, before becoming the head of WWF Australia’s species program in 2007, and a voice for threatened species worldwide. Having worked on human-elephant conflict in Namibia and India, she moved to Singapore in 2012 where she is working on reducing the illegal trade in ivory and rhino horn that is decimating Africa’s elephants and rhinos. She divides her time between being a mum to her son, lecturing in the environmental sciences, and undertaking freelance conservation work in Africa and Asia.

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**Zoo Camp Puzzle (Animal Planet Adventures Chapter Book #4)**

Animal Planet, Gail Herman

Relatable characters and awesome mysteries pair up with animal information kids need and want to know. This unique series combines the best of narrative and reference for readers who want cool animal stories as they start to read on their own.

**Summary**

Nine-year-old twins Ava and Rosie are headed for adventure. City kids, they don’t know what to expect from a small zoo in Iowa—and they have to live there for the rest of the year while their mom writes a book! Being away from the busy city and their friends feels like punishment, but Dad sets up a project for them all—running a zoo camp for students to attend during spring break. That could be cool, but as they’re getting ready, the kids realize that some of the animals are missing! They’ll have to solve the mystery—fast—before the campers arrive.

Perfect for reluctant, challenged, and newly fluent readers, the Animal Planet Adventures chapter book series combines fun animal mysteries with cool nonfiction sidebars that relate to the stories, bringing the best of the animal world to young readers. With full-color illustrations and photographs throughout.

Collect all of the Animal Planet Adventures books, including Amy and Elliott’s story *Puppy Rescue Riddle*.

**Contributor Bio**

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Dolphin Rescue (Animal Planet Adventures Chapter Books #1)

**Animal Planet, Catherine Nichols**

**Amazing journeys and awesome mysteries pair with animal information in this unique series that combines the best of narrative and reference.**

**Summary**

Siblings Maddie and Atticus love living by the sea. Their dad traps lobsters off the coast of Maine. They love helping with the family business and volunteering at the local aquarium. The summer is shaping up to be a super one, for sure. Then one day they spy a pod of dolphins in the cove looking distressed. How will the kids use their knowledge of animals and their awesome problem-solving skills to help the dolphin family get safely back to sea?

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Catherine Nichols is the author of more than 60 books for readers of all ages. She has written on a wide variety of topics including Alice in Wonderland, animal intelligence, polar exploration, environmental habitats,

Baby Animals (Animal Planet Animal Bites)

**Animal Planet, Dorothea Deprisco**

The Animal Bites series from Animal Planet delivers everything curious readers want to know about their favorite animals. The information is arranged thematically with special focus on animal behavior, habitats, and family relationships.

**Summary**

With more than 200 adorable photos of baby animals and their families, there's serious "aw" factor on every page of *Animal Planet Baby Animals*. This fun addition to the Animal Bites series provides kids in the first years of schooling with the perfect bite-sized view of their favorite animals. Arranged thematically with a focus on animal behavior and family relationships, young readers will explore sections about life cycles, feeding, play time, conservation, getting around, and much more. Special book features designed for this age group include simple infographics and ‘All Grown Up’ animal facts to help kids learn more about how young and adult animals differ—just like humans!

For more Animal Bites books, check out *Animal Planet Ocean Animals*, *Animal Planet Polar Animals*, *Animal Planet Wild Animals*, *Animal Planet Farm Animals*, and *Animal Planet Animals on the Move*.

A portion of the proceeds from the sale of books in the Animal Bites series benefits the principal partners of R.O.A.R. (Reach Out. Act. Respond.), Animal Planet's initiative dedicated to improving the lives of animals in our...
**Animal Atlas (An Animal Planet Book)**

Animal Planet

*This definitive atlas of animal life takes readers on a continent-by-continent and habitat-by-habitat passport to adventure.*

**Summary**

Animal Planet's definitive atlas of animal life takes readers on a continent-by-continent and habitat-by-habitat passport to adventure! Meet fierce snow leopards in the Tibetan mountains, giant helicopter damselflies in the rain forests of Central America, majestic eagles in the temperate forests of North America, and hundreds more fascinating creatures.

What is a habitat? How is the North Pole's animal life different from the South Pole's? How and why do animals adapt to their environment? Is a food web different from a food chain? *Animal Planet Animal Atlas* answers all these questions and more in a kid-friendly, accessible format that young readers, parents, teachers, and librarians will adore.

Through illustrated maps of every continent and its major biomes, full-color photographs of more than 200 animals, and illustrated animal travel guides presenting fun animal trivia, readers can track their favorite animals across the globe while learning about how animal habitats are affected by climate, food and water availability, migration, and human environmental impact. Additional special...

**Contributor Bio**

The leading media brand for all things animal, Animal Planet delivers engaging, insightful and high-quality entertainment to families worldwide. Launched in 1997, Animal Planet today has a unique global reach. It is broadcast in more than 95 households and 165 other countries, in 24 languages. Animal Planet books and programming capture the innate drama and compelling characters of the animal kingdom, from the natural world to domestic pets.

James Buckley, Jr. has written about sports for more than 15 years, including a stint as the editorial projects manager for Sports Illustrated. Today, he is the editorial director of the Shoreline Publishing Group, a book,

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**Animals on the Move (Animal Planet Animal Bites)**

Animal Planet, Dorothea Deprisco

*The Animal Bites series from Animal Planet delivers everything curious readers want to know about their favorite animals. The information is arranged thematically with special focus on animal behavior, habitats, and family relationships.*

**Summary**

With more than 200 gorgeous photos of animals in their natural habitats, there's action and adventure on every page of *Animal Planet Animals on the Move*. This fast-moving addition to the Animal Bites series provides kids in the first years of schooling with the perfect bite-sized view of their favorite animals. Arranged thematically with a focus on animal behavior and family relationships, young readers will explore sections about migration, fast and slow, hunting and playing, and animal movement on land, in the air, and in water. Special book features designed for this age group include simple graphics and 'Just Like Me' sidebars with fascinating animal facts for young readers to learn more about themselves and the amazing animals that share our world.

For more Animal Bites books, check out *Animal Planet Ocean Animals, Animal Planet Polar Animals, Animal Planet Wild Animals, Animal Planet Farm Animals*, and *Animal Planet Baby Animals*.

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Dolphins! (Animal Planet Chapter Book #6)

Summary

Young readers looking for information about their favorite marine mammals will find everything they are looking for in *Dolphins!*, the latest Animal Planet Chapter Book. Information about dolphins’ anatomy, behavior, social relationships, and more offer a complete survey of this high-interest topic. Illustrated chapters and species profiles highlight how dolphins live, eat, and interact with each other. Did you know that the longest dolphin—at up to 30 feet—is the orca, also known as the killer whale, and that dolphins sleep with half of their brains on? More than 100 gorgeous photos showcase dolphins around the world in this memorable book for fans of these charismatic cetaceans!

Ebooks

Dolphins! (Animal Planet Chapter Book #6) - E-Book - 5/1/2018 $7.99 9781547840359
Dolphins! (Animal Planet Chapter Book #6) - E-Book - 5/1/2018 $3.99 9781547840373
Dolphins! (Animal Planet Chapter Book #6) - E-Book - 5/1/2018 $3.99 9781547840380

Other Formats

Other_format - 5/1/2018 $14.99 9781618931863

Also Available

Snakes! (Animal Planet Chapter Books #4) - Trade Paperback - 6/13/2017 $5.99 9781618931788
Bugs! (Animal Planet Chapter Books #3) - Trade Paperback - 6/13/2017 $5.99 9781618931795
Dinosaurs! (Animal Planet Chapter Books #2) - Trade Paperback - 10/18/2016 $5.95 9781618931863
Sharks! (Animal Planet Chapter Books #1) - Trade Paperback - 10/18/2016 $5.95 9781618934321

Ocean Animals (Animal Planet Animal Bites)

Animal Planet, Laaren Brown

Everything younger readers ages 4-8 want to know about their absolute favorite ocean-dwelling animals, presented habitat by habitat.

Summary

With more than 200 gorgeous animal photos of sharks, whales, clown fish, jelly fish, dolphins, and others, *Animal Planet Ocean Animals* is a fun, habitat-by-habitat guide that provides kids in the first years of schooling with the perfect bite-sized view of their favorite ocean-dwelling animals. Arranged thematically with a focus on animal behavior and family relationships, young readers will explore sections about animal bodies, baby animals, food, play time, conservation and more. Special book features designed for this age group include Quick Bites sidebars with cool animal facts, simple infographics, and illustrated maps of Earth’s watery environments.

For more Animal Bites books, check out *Animal Planet Polar Animals*!

A portion of the proceeds will benefit Animal Planet’s R.O.A.R. (Reach Out. Act. Respond.) project which partners with leading animal organization to make the world a better place for domestic and wild animals.

Contributor Bio

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Also Available

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Animals on the Move (Animal Planet Animal Bites) - Trade Paperback - 3/7/2017 $12.95 9781618931795
Farm Animals (Animal Planet Animal Bites) - Trade Paperback - 6/21/2016 $12.95 9781618934130
**Polar Animals (Animal Planet Animal Bites)**

Animal Planet

*Everything younger readers ages 4-8 want to know about their absolute favorite animals living in both polar climates, presented habitat by habitat.*

**Summary**

With more than 200 gorgeous animal photos of penguins, polar bears, sea lions, walruses, reindeer and others, *Animal Planet Polar Animals* is a fun, habitat-by-habitat guide that provides kids in the first years of schooling with the perfect bite-sized view of their favorite animals living in both polar climates. Arranged thematically with focus on animal behavior and family relationships, young readers will explore sections about animal bodies, baby animals, food, play time, conservation, and more. Special book features designed for this age group include Quick Bites sidebars with cool animal facts, simple infographics, and illustrated maps of the coldest places on Earth.

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- Wild Animals (Animal Planet Animal Bites) - Trade Paperback - 6/21/2016 $12.95 9781618934147

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**Snakes! (Animal Planet Chapter Books #4)**

Animal Planet, James Buckley

Engaging narrative nonfiction pairs with tried-and-true subjects in a chapter book series that's perfect for newly independent readers who have a thirst for adventure.

**Summary**

*Animal Planet introduces information-packed nonfiction chapter books that are just right for pleasure reading and schoolwork.*

Slither along to an amazing adventure in *Snakes!*. Meet the biggest, the fastest, and the most venomous snakes--from massive anacondas and pythons to fierce and fanged vipers and cobras. Learn about snakes that climb trees and others that swim in ocean waters. *Snakes!* is the perfect overview for developing readers ready to explore this popular animal subject on their own. Special features include full-color photography throughout, "Meet the Scientist" sidebars, and "In Your Newsfeed" articles about amazing new discoveries.

Don't miss the other books in the Animal Planet Chapter Books series: *Bugs!, Dinosaurs!, and Sharks!*.

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Lori Stein is the author of more than a dozen books for readers of all ages. She has written on a wide variety of topics including nature, animals, and art as well as cooking and gardening. She was a contributing writer on *Animals: A Visual Encyclopedia* and the Time fo...
Strange, Unusual, Gross & Cool Animals (An Animal Planet Book)
Animal Planet, Charles Ghigna

The ickiest, stickiest, bloopiest, oddest animals in the world are the ones kids really want to know.

Summary
Animal Planet presents the ickiest, stickiest, bloopiest, and oddest animals in the world!

Did you know that an archerfish can spit water up to 16 feet? Or that the giant weta is the world's largest and heaviest insect? Animal Planet's fascinating exploration of animal oddities introduces young animal lovers to some of the most astonishing, gorgeous, and obscure animals in the world-including some brand new discoveries! Packed with more than 200 vibrant photographs and fun facts about animals with unusual behaviors, strange appearances, and remarkable stats, this deluxe gift book is perfect for reluctant readers or anyone who loves totally gross and amazing animals.

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Charles Ghigna, also known as Father Goose, is an award-winning poet, children's author, speaker, and nationally syndicated feature writer. He is the author of more than 5,000 poems and 100 books. His books
**Discovery Channel Sharkopedia**

**The Complete Guide to Everything Shark**

Discovery Channel

**Summary**

Celebrate Discovery Shark Week all year long with *Discovery Sharkopedia*, the definitive visual guide to everything there is to know about sharks! With more than 400 incredible color photos of the world's most infamous sharks, including great white, bull, and tiger sharks, *Sharkopedia* explores the evolution of sharks—did you know sharks have been swimming in the world's oceans since before dinosaurs roamed the earth?—and introduces kids to almost 500 known shark species with close-up portraits of each and fun "fin facts" throughout.

Discover what makes sharks expert hunters with detailed sections about shark anatomy, habitats, life cycles, surprising behaviors, and more. *Sharkopedia* also provides shark conservation resources and offers suggestions for ways to help these amazing, often misunderstood, creatures continue to survive.

Want to meet more incredible creatures? Check out the other books in the Discovery Opedia series: *Snakeopedia, Dinopedia, and Bugopedia*!

**Display**

Discovery Channel Sharkopedia - 12 Copy Floor Display - Dumpbin – Filled - 6/25/2013 $239.40 9781618938992

9781618933119

**Discovery Channel The Big Book of Sharks**

Discovery Channel

**Summary**

For a week every summer for the last 25 years, millions have been glued to their TV screens, mesmerized by Discovery Channel's Shark Week programming. THE BIG BOOK OF SHARKS captures the excitement of Shark Week between 2 covers—with spectacular photos, intense stories, and endlessly fascinating information about these mysterious and deadly creatures. From terrifying Great Whites to bizarre Goblin Sharks to rare pre-historic species, every page features jawdropping photography and amazing revelations about shark extremes, behavior, attacks, and more. Five pull-out posters complete the package for shark fans of all ages.

**Display**

Discovery Channel The Big Book of Sharks - 12 Copy Display - Counterpack – Filled - 7/31/2012 $179.40 9781603204712
Sharks! (Animal Planet Chapter Books #1)
Animal Planet, Lori Stein

Animal Planet introduces information-packed nonfiction chapter books that are just right for pleasure reading and schoolwork.

Summary
Animal Planet introduces information-packed nonfiction chapter books that are just right for pleasure reading and schoolwork.

Dive inside the world of sharks with this guide to the most incredible creatures in the sea. Photographically illustrated chapters highlight kid-favorite species such as Great Whites and Hammerheads, with a focus on behavior, senses, breeding, and feeding. Sharks! is the perfect overview for developing readers ready to explore this popular animal subject on their own. Special features include full-color photography throughout, "Meet the Scientist" sidebars, and "In Your Newsfeed" articles about amazing new discoveries.

Don't miss the other books in the series, including Animal Planet Chapter Books: Dinosaurs!.

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**Animals**
*A Visual Encyclopedia (An Animal Planet Book)*
Animal Planet, James Buckley, Anita Ganeri, Cari J...

**Summary**
*Discover the many ways animals are surprisingly human!*

Meet more than 2,500 amazing animals in this comprehensive, family-fun, global reference guide from Animal Planet — your source for all things animals. Get up close and personal with the diverse species that share our world and discover the many ways animals are just like us!

*Animal Planet Animals: A Visual Encyclopedia* profiles the seven major animal classes — mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, arthropods, and other invertebrates — and features more than 1,000 stunning color photographs of animals in action. A giant removable poster showcases record-breaking animal kingdom facts and Animal Planet LIVE bonus videos transport readers from the book page directly to animals in their natural habitats around the world. Additional book features include a comprehensive glossary, index, and study resources for extended learning in geography, climate change, biology, and ecosystems, plus Animal Planet’s R.O.A.R (Reach Out. Act. Respond.) facts throughout discuss conservation and animal rescue efforts.

Highly accessible for both cur...

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**Counting Bounty**
The quest to know the worth of Earth
Jeffery Johnson Smith

**Summary**
*Counting Bounty* highlights a widespread blindspot: most of us overlook land and its power to twist an economy. Householders typically spend most of their budget on land without awareness. The story begins with the official and academic efforts to minimize the total worth of Earth in America. A perusal of the historical relationship between the elite and the intellectual shows that "paying the piper" is the norm, even up to the present. Using a slew of statistics and others’ research findings, this book tracks rent to its recipients, the rentiers who own much and wield power. Aware reformers can address pressing problems by tapping land value. Watching rent flow sheds light on how economies operate, why they sometimes fail, and what a society can do about it.

**Contributor Bio**
Jeff *Smith* founded the Forum on Geonomics. As editor of the news site *Progress*, he assimilated startling reports from all over the world, broadening and deepening his understanding of human societies.
**Veterinary Histology of Domestic Mammals and Birds**

**Textbook and Colour Atlas**

Hans-Georg Liebich

**Summary**

This full color atlas of veterinary histology images with accompanying text covers domestic mammals and birds. It provides a peerless collection of diagrams, schematics, color micrographs, and electron microscope images, plus online access to a further 900 color images. The author presents information from both a structural and functional perspective. This applied approach highlights the importance of understanding histology as a basis for identifying disease.

Translated from the German edition, Veterinary Histology of Domestic Mammals and Birds, 5th Edition is an excellent atlas for veterinary students and veterinary school libraries.

**Contributor Bio**

Hans-Georg Liebich is Professor of Animal Anatomy at the University of Munich.

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**Birding Australia's Islands**

Sue Taylor

**Summary**

Taylor hasn’t attempted to include every one of the 8,371 islands of Australia, but she has visited the country’s most extreme islands: the most southerly (Macquarie), the most northerly (Boigu, which just pips Christmas by one degree), the most westerly (Cocos) and the most easterly (Norfolk). Her aim in selecting the islands was very simple: to include those where she’s had fun birding, where she has seen lots of birds, several "lifers" (her own life list of birds encountered in the wild), islands with birds never seen before in Australia, and places where she had special encounters with common birds. Though Sue Taylor is herself a "twitcher," *Birding Australia's Islands* will appeal not only to intrepid birdwatchers who intend to follow in her footsteps, but also to those who are content to sit at home and read about the audacity of others who will fly across Australia’s vast continent in the hope that one individual bird will still be there waiting for them when they arrive. Illustrated with beautiful close-up photographs of species and habitats, Sue Taylor describes her adventure...

**Contributor Bio**

Sue Taylor is a keen birdwatcher and twitcher. She has seen over 800 Australian birds on her travels throughout Australia and its territories. After a series of administrative jobs, she embarked on a freelance writing career in 1998 and has since written short stories, newspaper articles, and four books on birdwatching.
**Sharks, Skates, Rays and Chimeras of British Columbia**
Jackie King, Gordon McFarlane

**Summary**
Much fear of sharks is driven by media reports or films that sensationalize shark attacks, despite the rarity of such occurrences. With contributors ranging from Briony Penn to David Suzuki, Gary Geddes and Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas, this collection provides the most accurate and up-to-date information on chondrichthyans in British Columbia waters, including detailed species descriptions and identification information. *Sharks, Skates, Rays and Chimeras of British Columbia* presents sharks and their relatives as valuable members of our coastal fish community, worthy of respect, study, admiration, and protection.

**Contributor Bio**
*Dr. Jackie King* is a research scientist with Fisheries and Oceans Canada at the Pacific Biological Station in Nanaimo, BC. *Dr. Gordon McFarlane* is a scientist emeritus at the Pacific Biological Station.

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**Sloths**
*A Celebration of the World’s Most Misunderstood Mammal*
William Hartston

**Summary**
In public estimation, sloths have undergone an astonishing transformation in the course of the past few years. Thanks largely to YouTube clips posted by the sloth orphanage in Costa Rica, sloths have attracted a vast audience of admirers. Instead of seeing them as ridiculous anachronisms of which we know little, they have turned into creatures considered by many to be the most endearing on earth. Over much the same period, scientific investigations have also changed our view of sloths. No longer are they seen as total misfits in the modern world but, in the words of one specialist sloth investigator, they are "masters of an alternative lifestyle." This wonderfully entertaining book reveals the fascinating history of the sloth, from the prehistoric ground sloth to modern pygmy sloths in Panama, explores the current state of the science of sloths, and reveals the truth behind sloth behavior.

**Contributor Bio**
*William Hartston* is a Cambridge-educated mathematician and industrial psychologist, and the author of *The Encyclopedia of Useless Information*. 
Land Snails of British Columbia
Robert Forsyth

Summary
Snails and slugs have a reputation as slimy, repulsive creatures that are nothing more than garden pests, but they are important components of the ecosystems they live in. In fact, most of the pest slugs and snails are introduced species that have come here with the plants we import for our gardens. Worldwide there are more species of snails and slugs than all the mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians combined, yet they are often overlooked because of their relatively small size. Land snails and slugs are well adapted to live in almost any kind of environment, from high arctic tundra to tropical forests. In British Columbia, they can be found just about everywhere. Land Snails of British Columbia describes all 92 species of terrestrial molluscs in our province. It includes photographs and detailed drawings of each, diagnostic keys and a selection of colour photographs to aid in identification. With each species description, the author discusses its natural history and distribution in the province. He also talks about reproduction, life history, diet, locomotion and shell structure...

Contributor Bio
Robert Forsyth is a malacologist who has studied terrestrial molluscs in BC since 1990. He is a research associate with the Royal BC Museum and has published more than a dozen articles on molluscs. This is his first book.

A Naturalist's Guide to Insects of Australia
Peter Rowland, Rachel Whitlock

Summary
High quality photographs from Australia’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habitat, and habits. The user-friendly introduction covers modern Australian insects, non-insect hexapods, and life cycles. Also included is a checklist of the insect families of Australia listing the number of genera, species, and subspecies in each family.

Contributor Bio
Peter Rowland is a wildlife conservationist, educator, and nature photographer who worked at the Australian Natural History Museum for a period spanning 20 years. Peter has travelled extensively throughout Australia as a biodiversity consultant, and has written and co-authored 12 books on Australia's wildlife. In 1999, Peter was the recipient of a Whitley Award from the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales. Rachel Whitlock has studied biological science at The University of Queensland (UQ) and the Queensland University of Technology (QUT), and is currently researching insect systematics and taxonomy. She is interested in exploring Australia’s unique faunal diversity and how evolution has helped shape it, alongside engaging and educating the general public about biodiversity and conservation.
**Introducing the Dragonflies of British Columbia and the Yukon**

Rob Cannings

**Summary**

Birding and butterfly watching have been popular outdoor activities for decades. Now, dragonfly watching is catching on as a fascinating and enjoyable pursuit. Dragonflies are large, colourful insects with amazing and easily observed behaviour. Noted entomologist Dr. Robert Cannings introduces students, naturalists and outdoor enthusiasts to the world of dragonflies. In this compact book, he shows readers where to find dragonflies and how to watch and study them in the field. In the introduction, Dr. Cannings outlines the natural history of these insects—their structure, life cycles, habitats and behaviour. Then he describes the 88 species known in British Columbia and the Yukon, noting habitat preferences and distribution. To make identification easy, each description has one or more colour photographs and comparisons with similar species.

**Contributor Bio**

Dr. Robert A. Cannings is curator emeritus of entomology at the Royal BC Museum. He has studied robberflies, dragonflies and other insects for more than 30 years and is the author of many popular and technical publications on these insects.

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**The Hedgehog Handbook**

Sally Coulthard

**Summary**

Hedgehogs, with their quiet determination and bristling, bumbling ways, are seen by many of one of life's most enduring symbols of the countryside and town gardens. This shy, snuffling, enigmatic animal has captured the imagination of children and adults for centuries—from Beatrix Potter's Mrs Tiggywinkle to Sonic the Hedgehog.

Full to the brim with fascinating insights and countryside lore, *The Hedgehog Handbook* explores different facets of this much-admired mammal—from its wildlife habits to its literary heritage, how different cultures have viewed the hedgehog, and what we can do to help preserve this icon of rural life.

Fun, sweet, and warm hearted, *The Hedgehog Handbook* is a month-by-month celebration of one of the countryside's best-loved creatures. Packed with inspirational quotes, entertaining facts, folklore, and literary references, it's the perfect gift for anyone with a penchant for prickles.

**Contributor Bio**

Sally Coulthard is an author of design and outdoor living books, including *Shed Chic*, *Gardenalia*, and *The Little Book of Building Fires*. 
Carnivores of British Columbia
David F. Hatler, David W. Nagorsen, Alison M. Beal

Summary
Humans share a long history with carnivores. We fear them as predators, revile them as competitors, exploit them for their fur, or admire them for their grace and beauty. This book, the fifth of six volumes on the mammals of BC, provides comprehensive, up-to-date information on the 21 species of wild terrestrial carnivores in the province. Species covered: Coyote, Grey Wolf, Red Fox, American Black Bear, Grizzly Bear, Northern Raccoon, Sea Otter, Wolverine, Northern River Otter, American Marten, Fisher, Ermine, Long-tailed Weasel, Least Weasel, American Mink, American Badger, Striped Skunk, Western Spotted Skunk, Cougar, Canada Lynx, Bobcat. Carnivores of British Columbia describes each species, with illustrations of animals and skulls. For each species it discusses distribution and habitat, feeding ecology, social behaviour, reproduction, issues around health and mortality, abundance, human uses, conservation and management. This book will be an important educational reference for the general public, schools, naturalists and wildlife biologists.

Contributor Bio
David Hatler is a wildlife biologist specializing in the study of carnivores. David Nagorsen is a biological consultant based in Victoria; he has written three handbooks published in the Mammals of BC series: Bats of BC (with R.M. Brigham), Opossums, Shrews and Moles of British Columbia and Rodents and Lagomorphs of British Columbia. Alison M. Beal is a researcher and writer of popular articles and other material about furbearers and trapping.

Hoofed Mammals of British Columbia
David Shackleton

Summary
Hoofed mammals are the most abundant large mammals in British Columbia. Nine wild native species live here: Elk, Moose, Mule Deer, White-tailed Deer, Caribou, Bison, Mountain Goat, Bighorn Sheep and Thinhorn Sheep. One introduced species, European Fallow Deer, also lives in small populations on some coastal islands. David Shackleton provides a comprehensive examination of BC's hoofed mammals, discussing their evolution and general biology, including morphological and behavioural adaptations to their unique lifestyle. He also describes each species and subspecies in detail and discusses its social organization, habitat, diet, reproduction and life expectancy. Each species account has a distribution map and data on taxonomy, populations, conservation status and traditional Aboriginal use. Fine illustrations and two identification keys help readers recognize species by external features or dried skulls.

Contributor Bio
David Shackleton recently retired from his professorial position in the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences at the University of British Columbia, which he held for more than 25 years. He has published extensively on large mammals, including the hoofed kind.
Marine Mammals of British Columbia

John K. B. Ford

Summary

Dr. John Ford presents the latest information on 31 species of marine mammals that live in or visit BC waters: 25 whales, dolphins and porpoises, 5 seals and sea lions, and the sea otter. He describes each species and summarizes its distribution, habitat, social organization, feeding habits, conservation status and much more. Marine Mammals of British Columbia includes maps of sightings, and pointers on where to find each species in BC waters. It also contains hundreds of colour photographs and drawings to help recognize these animals in the ocean. This is an indispensable field guide and reference book for naturalists, boaters and anyone interested in marine life.

Contributor Bio

Dr. John K.B. Ford is head of the Cetacean Research Program at the Pacific Biological Station (Fisheries and Oceans Canada) in Nanaimo, and adjunct professor in the Department of Zoology and the Fisheries Centre, University of British Columbia. He has studied cetaceans in BC waters since 1977, especially Killer Whales, and has published widely on the subject. His recent focus has been on the conservation status of cetacean species at risk in BC.

Opposums, Shrews and Moles of British Columbia

David Nagorsen

Summary

British Columbia has the greatest diversity of insectivores (shrews and moles) of any Canadian province: 12 species in all. In some habitats, insectivores are the dominant mammals; but humans rarely notice them, except when the family cat brings in a shrew or when molehills appear in our gardens or golf courses. Even naturalists are largely unfamiliar with these mammals. Our only marsupial, the North American Opossum, is native to eastern North America and was only recently introduced to British Columbia. In Opossums, Shrews and Moles of British Columbia, David Ngorsen presents a comprehensive summary of the most up-to-date information on these intriguing mammals. He provides general information on their biology, including ecology, diet, anatomy, relations with humans and conservation. He also describes each species, including their identifying characteristics, and discusses their natural history and taxonomy. Each account is accompanied by illustrations and a provincial range map. This is the second in a series of six handbooks on the mammals of British Columbia.

Contributor Bio

David Nagorsen is a biological consultant based in Victoria and former curator of vertebrate zoology at the Royal BC Museum. He has studied mammals in BC for many years and has published several books and many articles on them.
Rodents and Lagomorphs of British Columbia
David Nagorsen

Summary
Rodents are the world's most numerous and diverse group of mammals. British Columbia is home to 45 species, from the tiny Western Harvest Mouse to the large and toothy Beaver, from the ubiquitous rats and squirrels to the endangered Vancouver Island Marmot. Just 7 species of lagomorphs inhabit BC: 5 rabbits and hares, and 2 pikas. Most people regard these small mammals as pests or vermin, but we cannot overlook their importance to the province's ecosystems. Because of their abundance, rodents and lagomorphs are vital prey species for raptors and mammalian carnivores. Burrowing species play an important role in aerating soils. Some rodents, such as chipmunks, voles and flying squirrels, are also important in forest ecosystems because they consume truffles or underground fungi and disperse their spores on the forest floor. In Lagomorphs and Rodents of British Columbia, David Nagorsen summarizes the most up-to-date information on these mammals. He discusses their general biology, including ecology, diet, anatomy, conservation and relations with humans. Illustrated keys aid in identifica...

Contributor Bio
David Nagorsen is a biological consultant based in Victoria and former curator of vertebrate zoology at the Royal BC Museum. He has studied mammals in BC for many years and has published several books and many articles on them.

Sea Cucumbers of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound
Philip Lambert

Summary
Sea cucumbers have inhabited the world’s oceans for about 400 million years. They live in almost any marine habitat, from the fine ooze of the deep ocean to current-swept reefs and rocky shallows. These marine invertebrates are related to sea stars and sea urchins and they are an integral part of our coastal ecosystems. Philip Lambert describes more than 30 species of sea cucumber living in the coastal waters of British Columbia and the United States. He discusses distribution, natural history and habitat, as well as anatomy, physiology, reproduction, ecology and economic importance. "This guide is highly recommended for anyone interested in coastal natural history. The authoritative text is generously supplemented with excellent colour and black-and-white photographs as well as with line drawings." – Patrick Colgan, Canadian Book Review Annual

Contributor Bio
Philip Lambert is a curator emeritus in natural history at the Royal BC Museum where he specializes in marine biology. This book is part of a trilogy on the echinoderms of BC's coastal waters, along with Sea Stars of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound and Brittle Stars, Sea Urchins and Feather Stars of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound.
**Sea Stars of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound**

**Philip Lambert**

**Summary**

In this handbook, Philip Lambert describes 43 species and subspecies of sea stars in the coastal waters of northwestern North America. The sea-star fauna of the region from Glacier Bay, Alaska, to Puget Sound in Washington, is the most diverse of all the temperate waters of the world. The great age of the Pacific Basin, and the varied habitats along this complex coastline, created by scouring glaciers and other natural forces, have stimulated the evolution of many new forms. Sea Stars bridges the gap between academic and popular publications and is enhanced by illustrations and photographs, many in colour. Although he covers the coastal waters down to 200 metres below the surface, Lambert lists 26 more species that live below 200 metres and 14 others that occur just outside the region covered by this book. "If sea stars fascinate you (and they're pretty hard to resist on this coast) then you'll appreciate this book. It is essential for anyone doing research involving northwest sea stars and is also a great field guide for divers and seaside naturalists." – Echinoderm Newsletter

**Contributor Bio**

Philip Lambert is a curator emeritus in natural history at the Royal BC Museum where he specializes in marine biology. This book is part of a trilogy on the echinoderms of BC's coastal waters, along with Sea Cucumbers of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound and Brittle Stars, Sea Urchins and Feather Stars of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound.

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**Spirits of the Coast**

**Orcas in science, art and history**

Martha Black, Lorne Hammond, Gavin Hanke, Jack Loh...

**Summary**

*Spirits of the Coast* brings together the work of marine biologists, Indigenous knowledge keepers, poets, artists, and storytellers, united by their enchantment with the orca. Long feared in settler cultures as "killer whales," and respected and honored by Indigenous cultures as friends, family, or benefactors, orcas are complex social beings with culture and language of their own. With contributors ranging from Briony Penn to David Suzuki, Gary Geddes and Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas, this collection brings together diverse voices, young and old, to explore the magic, myths, and ecology of orcas. A literary and visual journey through past and possibility, Spirits of the Coast illustrates how these enigmatic animals have shaped us as much as our actions have impacted them, and provokes the reader to imagine the shape of our shared future.

**Contributor Bio**

**Dr. Martha Black** has been the curator of Indigenous collections at the Royal BC Museum since 1997. **Dr. Lorne Hammond** has been the curator of history at the Royal BC Museum since 1997. **Dr. Gavin Hanke** is the curator of vertebrate zoology at the Royal BC Museum. **Nikki Sanchez** is a Pipil/Maya and Irish/Scottish academic, Indigenous media maker, and environmental educator.
Wildlife Species of the Qomolangma National Nature Reserve
Huijian Hu, Kun Jin, Yuan Tian

Summary
Wildlife Species of the Qomolangma National Nature Reserve is an academic monograph on the conservation and sustainable protection of wildlife. It systematically describes the natural environment of the entire Qomolangma Reserve, as well as the overall situation and historical investigation of species of terrestrial wildlife. Hundreds of wild animals are surveyed in terms of composition, distribution, regional characteristics, and vertical distribution. In addition, animals’ geographical division and distribution patterns are discussed in depth. The book describes the extreme elevations of the Qomolangma region and the vertical variation of wildlife. It reveals many unique species and landscapes, photographed for the first time, and integrating innovation, science, and academics into the Qinghai-Tibet region and high-altitude regions in the world. The ecological protection and sustainable use of high mountain regions has important application value, and this book is particularly suited to teachers, students, researchers, wildlife enthusiasts, and related departments in colleges and u...

Contributor Bio
Hu Huijian is a Professor and Ph.D. supervisor at the Guangdong Institute of Applied Biological Resources (the South China Institute of Endangered Animals). Dr. Hu is currently a council member of the China Zoological Society, a member of the National Expert Committee on the 2nd Terrestrial Wildlife Resources Survey, and a vice-chairman and general secretary of the Guangdong Zoological Society. Dr. Hu has been engaged in research on wildlife conservation and ecological restoration since 1993. Since 1997, Dr. Hu has carried out many large-scale scientific wildlife expeditions nationwide with footprints all over China.

Jin Kun is a researcher and Master Instructor of the Institute of Forest Ecology and Environmental Protection at the Chinese Academy of Forestry. Dr. Jin is currently a council member of the Animal Society of the Chinese Zoological Society and a member of the Beijing Zoological Society. Dr. Jin has long been engaged in wildlife ecology and management, wildlife conservation biology and nature reserve management research. Dr. Jin has published more than 30 papers in domest...

The Wisdom of Wolves
How Wolves Can Teach Us to Be More Human
Elli H. Radinger

Summary
In this unforgettable book, wolf expert and naturalist Elli Radinger draws on her 25 years of first-hand experience among the wolves of Yellowstone National Park to tell us their remarkable stories. Wolves aren't wolfish. They can die of broken hearts, show tenderness to their young and elderly, and their packs are led by couples, with the key decisions made by females. They play, they pretend and they predate. They are more complex than we ever knew and more like us than we ever imagined. You'll meet Oh-Six, the she-wolf whose bold hunting technique astounded the most experienced biologists, Casanova who succeeded in luring his love away from her pack, and Druid alpha male 21, the magnanimous and compassionate leader. Ultimately, Radinger shows how much we can learn from these beautiful and mysterious creatures, and how much there is to gain from emulating the wisdom of wolves.

Contributor Bio
Elli H. Radinger is Germany's best-known expert on wolves. For 25 years she has spent a large part of every year observing wild wolves in the Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming. The Wisdom of Wolves is her first book.
American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of Hawaii
Andre F. Raine, Helen Raine, Jack Jeffrey

Summary
This new book in the American Birding Association Field Guide Series includes complete coverage of all the major species, identification tips, and info on conservation status, habitat, and behaviors. Written by expert birders Helen & Andre F. Raine and filled with gorgeous color images by Jack Jeffrey, the American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of Hawaii is the perfect companion for anyone wanting to learn more about the natural history and diversity of the state's birds, and when and where to see them.

Contributor Bio
Andre L. Raine, Ph.D. is the project coordinator of the Kaua‘i Endangered Seabird Recovery Project in Kalaheo, Hawaii. Helen Raine is a writer and conservationist living in Kauai. Jack Jeffrey is a professional bird photographer, birding guide, and wildlife biologist.

A Natural Year
Michael Fewer

Summary
Described by Lonely Planet as ‘one of Ireland’s best-known walkers’, Michael Fewer in A Natural Year observes the everyday nature of Irish gardens, parks and countryside over the course and development of the four seasons. Based on his personal nature diaries, kept at his homes in south Dublin and rural Waterford, he delights in the beauty and the complexity of the everyday natural world around us. You don’t have to go to the Galapagos to see the unusual. Did you know, for instance, that the common wood pigeon feeds its young in a way that only pelicans and flamingos share, and like pelicans, our dipper swims underwater to find its food? The author encourages observation and enquiry and suggests how study of and involvement in the natural world on our doorstep can be a sure antidote to the stresses of modern urban life. At a time when it’s more important than ever for us all to be aware of the crisis that faces our wildlife and natural environment, people need to know more about the natural world around them, the treasures that are being needlessly lost, and the threat to our way of ...

Contributor Bio
Michael Fewer combined architecture with academia for many years before focusing on writing about history, the environment, landscape, travel and walking. Author of more than 20 books about walking and nature in Ireland and over 400 articles, he is a regular Irish Times columnist and contributor to numerous television and radio programmes.
So You Want to Heal the Planet
Kayla Clibborn, Sophie Willcox

Summary
Want to save the planet, but don’t know where to start? Climate change may be scary, but changing your habits doesn’t have to be. So take a deep breath, fill up your reusable coffee cup, and follow this simple, not-too-scary guide to living a more sustainable, eco-friendly life.

Contributor Bio
Kayla Clibborn is an Australian author and editor. Sophie Willcox is an exciting young illustrator with a talent for creating fashionable imagery and telling stories with her art.

The Good Bee
A Celebration of Bees and How to Save Them
Alison Benjamin, Brian McCallum

Summary
Bees need our help. But you can’t save what you don’t love. And you can’t love what you don’t know. The Good Bee is a celebration of this most vital and mysterious of nature’s wizards.

Contributor Bio
Alison Benjamin and Brian McCallum run Urban Bees, which works with communities, charities, businesses, and the public to raise awareness about all bees, support bee populations through education, and establish apiaries. Alison Benjamin is also a journalist and editor with the Guardian, while Brian McCallum is a former bee inspector for the UK government and a member of the Bee Farmers’ Association. Together they have written three books on bees, including A World Without Bees.
**Brittle Stars, Sea Urchins and Feather Stars of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound**

*Philip Lambert, William C. Austin*

**Summary**

The authors describe 24 species of brittle stars, 8 sea urchins and 2 feather stars inhabiting the coastal waters of BC, the Alaska Panhandle and Puget Sound. All species described live in the shallow waters to a depth of 200 metres; but the authors include species lists of all known species in the region, even those in deeper water. They discuss anatomical features, behaviour, reproduction, feeding, parasites and predators for each group. The species descriptions provide all the details to satisfy the professional biologist, yet the authors' easy-going style makes this book suitable for anyone interested in coastal marine life. Each account contains descriptive and comparative biology, with illustrations and photographs, as well as more details on the life and habits of the animal. A section of colour photographs helps with identification.

**Contributor Bio**

Philip Lambert is a curator emeritus in natural history at the Royal BC Museum where he specializes in marine biology. This book is part of a trilogy on the echinoderms of BC's coastal waters, along with *Sea Stars of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound* and *Sea Cucumbers of British Columbia, Southeast Alaska and Puget Sound*.

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**Seven Worlds One Planet**

*Natural Wonders from Every Continent*

*Jonny Keeling, Scott Alexander, David Attenborough*

**Summary**

Welcome home. A place 200 million years in the making. Long ago, our planet had only one gigantic land mass. Then something monumental happened. That supercontinent ruptured and seven different worlds were born. Each of those worlds—or continents—evolved, and continues to evolve, its own way of life. From the jungle of the Congo or the majestic Himalayas to the densely populated wilds of Europe or the comparatively isolated Australasia, *Seven Worlds, One Planet* explores the natural wonders that give each of our continents its distinct character. Following the animals that have made these iconic environments their home, it discovers spectacular wildlife stories that reveal what makes each of these seven worlds unique. With a foreword by Sir David Attenborough and over 250 breathtaking images, this book is a stunning exploration of the planet, and the worlds within it, that we call home.

**Contributor Bio**

*Jonny Keeling* is the executive producer of *Seven Worlds, One Planet*. A longtime BBC collaborator, he has produced and directed numerous wildlife mini-series and documentaries, including *The Life of Mammals*, *Planet Earth*, *Man Vs Wolf* and *The Zoo*. He also worked on BBC's wildly popular *Planet Earth II*. *Scott Alexander* is the series producer of *Seven Worlds, One Planet*. He has spent over 20 years with BBC Studios' Natural History Unit, filming on all seven continents.
Nature Guide to the Victoria Region
Ann Nightingale, Claudia Copley

Summary
The Victoria region is a natural wonderland—one of the most biologically rich areas of the country, with many plants and animals found nowhere else in Canada. Whether you’re a beginner or a seasoned naturalist, a visitor or a resident, this book will give you the knowledge you need to get the most out of your explorations of southeastern Vancouver Island. Ten local experts have contributed their knowledge about all things natural in this region, from mushrooms and dragonflies to owls and whales. They describe the species most likely to be seen here, and direct you to the best places to see them. Nature Guide to the Victoria Region is designed to help you understand the variety of habitats and natural wonders awaiting your discovery, all in a portable, easy-to-read format. It includes beautiful full-colour photographs, checklists and a map of all the great places to visit.

Contributor Bio
Ann Nightingale is president of the Rocky Point Bird Observatory, and Claudia Copley is the entomology collections manager at the Royal BC Museum. Both actively support the Victoria Natural History Society, as have the other naturalists and biologists who contributed to this book: Robert Cannings (dragonflies); Anna Hall (marine mammals); Gavin Hanke (fishes, reptiles and amphibians); Bryce Kendrick (fungi); Philip Lambert (intertidal life); James Miskelly (butterflies); David Nagorsen (land mammals); Leon Pavlick (plants); and David Stirling and Alan MacLeod (birds).

Weather for Hillwalkers (2nd Edition)
Malcolm Thomas, Julia Bradbury

The definitive guide to understanding and interpreting mountain weather systems

Summary
For years hillwalkers and climbers have struggled to understand the complexities of the weather systems. This book, written by a professional weather forecaster, provides both the beginner and the more experienced with an understanding of the basic principles of the cause of each of the elements of wind, rain, snow, cloud, fog, sun and thunder, and looks at how they are affected by mountains and high ground. The author also explains the basic terminology of depressions, warm and cold fronts and airmasses, how to interpret weather maps and how to make short-term weather forecasts from observation. Aimed at hillwalkers and climbers, it is also invaluable for anyone wanting to understand and interpret weather systems.

Contributor Bio
During his career a professional weather forecaster, Malcom Thomas’s book Weather for Hillwalkers and Climbers became a classic work for those with an interest in this subject.
Wildlife Photographer of the Year Desk Diary 2021
Natural History Museum

Summary
The Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition finds the very best wildlife images taken by the world’s top professional and amateur photographers. The chosen images form an exhibition at the Natural History Museum and elsewhere around the world every year from the end of October. This world-famous competition is owned by the Natural History Museum, London.

Contributor Bio
The Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition finds the very best wildlife images taken by the world’s top professional and amateur photographers. The most innovative and imaginative photographic images are judged and selected by a panel of experts. The chosen images form an exhibition at the Natural History Museum and elsewhere around the world every year from the end of October. This world-famous competition is owned by the Natural History Museum, London.

Wildlife Photographer of the Year Pocket Diary 2021
Natural History Museum

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Dinosaur Dreaming
Our Climate Moment
Gail Collins-Ranadive

Summary
Wherever you are in your response to the crises of the changing climate, the warming world, and the extinction of species at the hands of humans, you are not alone. And you are not powerless. As more and more of us acknowledge the looming catastrophe, this realization moves us from private despair to public demands, from personal angst to political activism. For unlike the dinosaur victims of the last mass extinction, we humans have more options than fight, flight, or freeze: we can figure out and fix what we’ve unwittingly unleashed.

Contributor Bio
A lifelong student of nature and human nature, Gail Collins-Ranadive is the author of eight books of creative nonfiction.

Pondweeds, Bur-reeds and their Relatives of British Columbia
T. Christopher Brayshaw

Summary
Monocotyledons are a major group of flowering plants that have embryos with only one seed leaf. This group comprises four orders and 14 families of plants in freshwater and marine environments. The most populous families are pondweeds and bur-reeds, but others are water-plantains, arrow-grasses, sea-grasses, arums (including Skunk Cabbage), duckweeds, water-meals and cat-tails. Dr. Brayshaw’s finely detailed illustrations and diagnostic keys help identify all species in this book.

Contributor Bio
T. Christopher Brayshaw (1919–2015) was Curator Emeritus of Botany at the Royal BC Museum. He wrote major works on several important groups of plants in British Columbia.
Amphibians and Reptiles of British Columbia
Brent M. Matsuda, David M. Green, Patrick T. Gregory...

Summary
The authors describe all 39 species of amphibians and reptiles living in BC, including their biology, habits, breeding and distribution. They also cover introduced, accidental and unconfirmed species that may be recent arrivals in the province. The introductory section contains general information on the biology of amphibians and reptiles, fossil history, snake venoms and amphibian toxins, mating and reproductive behaviour, physical development and metamorphosis, relationships with humans and much more. This easy-to-read handbook also includes detailed illustrations of all the established species and a colour section to help in identification. It's a great reference for biology students, naturalists and other professionals, and anyone interested in BC wildlife.

Contributor Bio
Brent Matsuda is a wildlife biologist and environmental consultant in British Columbia. David Green is professor of biology and Director of the Redpath Museum at McGill University in Montreal. Patrick Gregory is professor of biology at the University of Victoria. All three have studied reptiles and amphibians in British Columbia for many years.

Ashton and the Chequered Skipper A History
Martin Izzard

Ashton is a unique village located in the north east corner of Northamptonshire, this book describes its evolution, together with the links with the Rothschild family, the World Conker Championship and the demise and reintroduction of the Chequered Skipper Butterfly back into Rockingham Forest.

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The author has visited this area for more than forty years and is ideally placed to describe its special history and natural history.
Hugs and Kisses
Sam Hay, Emma Dodd

Summary
Big Blue Whale is feeling small. Everyone has someone to hug except from him! On his journey to find the perfect hug he meets lots of sea creatures who want to hug him, including a kind clown fish and a sea horse with a very swirly, whirly tail. But he's just too big for them to hug! On the other side of the ocean, Octopus is playing bubble ball with her friends. But when she bangs her head (ouch!) she really needs a kiss better. She meets lots of friendly creatures who offer to give her a kiss, but her tentacles are just too tangly and she begins to think she will never get a kiss better. Join the two creatures as they journey across the ocean to find their perfect match. Finding Nemo meets Guess How Much I Love You in this under the sea story of love, determination, and friendship. The huge pop up in the middle of the story, paired with the gentle, funny story and adorable illustrations is ideal for shared reading time.

Contributor Bio
Sam Hay has had more than 30 children's books published, including Star in the Jar. Emma Dodd is an author-illustrator whose Emma Dodd's Love You Books series includes Always, Love, and Forever.

Search and Find Under the Sea
Georgie Taylor, Maaike Boot

Summary
Create colorful under the sea pictures with this water painting book, then search and find the things that are hiding on each page. Simply apply water with the special pen, leave to dry, then paint your pictures and search and find again.

Contributor Bio
After working in children's publishing for more than fifteen years, Georgie Taylor likes writing stories that encourage children to discover, learn, and use their imagination. Based in the coastal city of The Hague, Netherlands, Maaike Boot's drawings begin with a Sharpie or brushes and India ink, with the black-and-white renderings transformed through Adobe Illustrator. Today her work is mainly seen on handmade products and children's books.
Polly Does NOT Want a Cracker!
Stephanie Thatcher

Summary
Polly the parrot is rude and grumpy because she's fed up with people asking, "Does Polly want a cracker?" Then, when she is banned from the zoo and sent to a pet shop, something amazing happens. A hilarious picture book from a New Zealand author.

Contributor Bio
Stephanie Thatcher started her working life in libraries and later became a graphic designer. She is the author of eight children's books, including The Quiet Pirate and The Toy Fairy.

Shh Shh Shark!
Jenny Copper, Carrie Hennon

Summary
Deep under the water, in the ocean blue, noisy sharks are shouting...and waiting for you! Die-cuts on each page reveal the sharks' wobbly eyes and zipper mouths. This fun story with colorful text features lots of noisy words for readers to shout out on each page.

Contributor Bio
Jenny Copper is a children's book editor and author who has been creating stories ever since she could read and write. Jenny lives in the Suffolk countryside with her two very spotty Dalmatians. Carrie Hennon has worked as a graphic designer, illustrator, and art editor for the past eighteen years. She is passionate about children's book illustration and is continually inspired by her daily contact with the artists she commissions.
**Squirty Fish Bath Book**
Campbell Books, Kay Vincent

**Summary**
Squirty Fish is the perfect waterproof book for bath time! With bright and engaging illustrations of sea creatures from Kay Vincent and an inbuilt squirter, Squirty Fish makes bath time as much fun as possible for carers, parents, and babies. Turn the pages together, read the gentle rhyming story about animals in a pond—and squirt some water! The waterproof pages are durable, safe, and wipe-clean for hygiene.

**Contributor Bio**
Kay Vincent is an illustrator and screen printer who studied at the Royal College of Art. Kay has also illustrated Bedtime Baby and Playtime Baby.

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**Fort Fish**
Juan Li

**Summary**
The happy lives of the citizens of Fort Fish are about to be turned upside down by what seems to be a natural disaster. But as events unfold, two survivors of the deadly tsunami, Sifu and his sister Shuiruo, learn that the disaster was anything but natural. Rather, it was the result of careless human activity. Despite the devastation of their home, their family, and their lives, Sifu, Shuiruo, and their friend Fuxi are not giving up, but are determined to lead their race to a new life on the Purple Planet. When an unexpected guest, the human girl Qiqi, arrives in Sifu’s home, the siblings must decide how to respond to this child of the land, a member of the race that has callously taken from them everything they love. In the remnants of Fort Fish, Sifu, Shuiruo, Fuxi, and QiQi race against the continuing destruction of their home to lead all the survivors in fishdom to a happier, healthier life on the Purple Planet. But as soon as they set foot on their new would-be home, unexpected challenges arise that put the prospect of the continuation of their race at risk.

Fort Fish does not sh...

**Contributor Bio**
Li Juan was born in Sichuan’s Lezhi County in 1979 at the Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps Division 7 Group 123, located in the Tacheng District of Wusu, in Chepaizi Village. She began writing in 1999. A mother of a five-year-old child, she holds a doctorate, and is a college instructor. She has always been engaged in literary creation, and pays close attention to the natural and social ecology. She has written columns for Southern Weekend, Wen Hui Newspaper, and other publications. She has published several essays, including "Nine Essays on Snow," "My Altay," "Altay’s Corner," "Please Sing When Walking at Night," the "Sheep" trilogy, and "Winter Ranch," and also several essays in the traditional Chinese version. She has won the People’s Literary Award, the Shanghai Literature Award, the Flower Literature Award, the Tianshan Art Award, and the Zhu Ziqing Essay Award, among others.
The Aquarium
A Lift-the-Fact Book
Five Mile

Summary
Come inside the Aquarium to discover the wonderful exhibits and find the clever stories of visitors and folks who work there, too! Explore more than 50 flaps to find out about some of the most spectacular marine creatures and a variety of underwater environments, including tropical and cold tanks, sharks and dolphins, the polar world, and sea-mammals. The experiences and artwork in this book are inspired by real-life exhibits at some of the world’s great Aquariums.

Contributor Bio
Five Mile makes the books kids WANT to read.

Paper Fish
Models and Mobiles to Cut Out and Glue Together
Annabelle Curtis

Summary
This book contains an impressive collection of colourful models from both tropical and temperate waters. Some are commonly seen in tropical marine aquariums, others are camouflaged to survive in seas where it is murkier and colder. Included is the dramatic scorpion fish and of course a pair of clown fish. Many different paper techniques are employed to make single fish and attractive groupings.
Creature Keeper
John Wood

Summary
Join Hydro Hero, Creature Keeper, The Incredible Smog, and Super Binman in their quest to save the planet from the actions of the humans that came before them. From their ocean-based headquarters, Trashy Island, these four heroes are fighting to protect us—but they need some help. Put your planet-protecting skills to the test with quizzes and questions and find out if you have what it takes to join the Planet Protectors.

Contributor Bio
John Wood is an editor. He studied English Literature and Language at De Montfort University and is the author of the A Focus On series.

You Can Save the Planet
101 Ways You Can Make a Difference
J. A. Wines, Clive Gifford, Sarah Horne

Summary
This book is a call to action for children everywhere. The effects of pollution, global warming, and the destruction of our planet have never been so visible or measurable. The book introduces and explains the massive global problems that need to be addressed NOW and is packed with 101 smart, practical, and fun things kids can do to make their homes, schools, and neighborhoods more environmentally friendly. The time for change is now, and You Can Save The Planet empowers kids to make a real difference. In the words of Greta Thunberg, "no one is too small to make a difference."

Contributor Bio
Clive Gifford is an award-winning author of more than 200 books which have garnered much praise and won Children’s Choice, NAPPA Gold Star, TES Book of the Year, and Smithsonian awards. Sarah Horne has illustrated for projects including an ad campaign for Kew Gardens entitled "Plantastic Play." She has also worked on commissions from the Guardian and Independent newspapers. She has worked with Gifford on Animal Survivors, Dead or Alive, and The Ultimate Animal Criminals.
**Aliens Among Us**  
Invasive Animals and Plants in British Columbia  
Alex Van Tol, Mike Deas

**Summary**  
What would you do if you came face to face with a Large Yellow Waxwing, Wild Turkey or Weather Loach? Who would you call if Common Wall Lizards or Giant Hogweed crept into your back yard? Alex Van Tol can help. In Aliens Among Us, she identifies more than 50 species of alien animals and plants that have established themselves in British Columbia. With the help of colour photographs and Mike Deas’ illuminating illustrations, Van Tol exposes the invaders, then explains how they got here and what they’re doing to the local environment. A former middle school teacher, Alex Van Tol has written eight books for young readers.

For Aliens Among Us, she has harvested the knowledge of museum biologists to alert the next generation of responsible environmentalists. Her list of invaders includes Purple Loosestrife and Yellow Perch, Norway Rats and American Bullfrogs, Northern Snakeheads and Zebra Mussels, to name just a few. This readable and alarmingly informative book will help young people prepare for the invasion, and arm them with the tools to stop the spread of unwanted aliens in British Col...

**Contributor Bio**  
A former middle school teacher, Alex Van Tol has written numerous books for young people. She claims that Aliens Among Us has been the most fun to research and write, because she learned so much in the process. She lives with her two sons in Victoria, BC.

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**I'm Just a Fish**  
Charles E Reasoner

**Summary**  
I'm Just a Fish from award-winning author and illustrator Charles Reasoner is brought to you by Top That Publishing. Children aged 3+ will laugh along with this story about how a fish uses his imagination to make the best out of his life in his goldfish bowl. Big, 3-D googley-eyes peek through two die-cut eyeholes on each page to delight the reader and bring the fish to life! A fun addition to the bookshelf!
Escape Galápagos
Ellen Prager

Summary
Before she died, Ezzy Skylar’s mother made Ezzy’s father promise to take his two children on trips to some of the world’s most exotic places, starting with the Galápagos Islands. There’s just one problem: while her little brother Luke is in animal heaven, Ezzy has a paralyzing fear of wild animals. That’s why she’s aboard the cruise vessel when hijackers take over. Forced to find depths of bravery she never knew she had, Ezzy has to flee across an island with her brother and seek to rescue a ship full of tourists under siege.

Contributor Bio
Ellen Prager is a marine scientist and author, widely recognized for her expertise and ability to make science entertaining and understandable for people of all ages. She currently works as a freelance writer, consultant, and science advisor to Celebrity Cruises in the Galápagos Islands. She was previously the Chief Scientist for the Aquarius Reef Base program in Key Largo, Florida and the Assistant Dean at the University of Miami’s Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science.

What the Sleepy Animals Do at the Audubon Zoo
Grace Millsaps, Ryan Murphy, John Clark IV, Alyson...

Summary
Rhinos rock out. Alligators stroll under limbo polls. Elephants pound the piano. Pelicans cater.

Ever wonder why the animals at the zoo are always so sleepy? When Renee asks her father why the zoo animals are snoozing all day, he dreams up an elaborate answer. At night, the monkeys steal the zookeeper’s keys, and all of the animals come out of their cages to dance, eat, and play. By the time the visitors arrive in the morning, the animals are all tuckered out. Renee doesn’t believe her father’s tale, but dads have a way of being right about these things.

Contributor Bio
Grace Millsaps is a preschool teacher and author who has taught children on three continents. Ryan Murphy is a performer at The New Movement Theater, a proud member of the 610 Stompers, a licensed tour guide, and, just for fun, a barred attorney in the state of Louisiana. He taught at Heilongjiang Institute of Technology and wrote for China Economic Review magazine. Millsaps and Murphy are the coauthors of You Wouldn’t Like Me Without My Coffee. John Clark IV is graphic designer and illustrator who cofounded the creative agency Hop & Jaunt. He is the cartoonist of the Today in NOLA cartoon which celebrates the quirks of life in New Orleans. Alyson Kilday is the cofounder and creative director of Hop & Jaunt a design. She has lived and visited over a dozen countries and is fluent in both Japanese and Spanish. They all live in New Orleans.
**Five Little Fishes**
Sally Hopgood, Piwowarski Marcin

**Summary**
3D fish models disappear each time a page is turned in this counting novelty book for children aged 3 and up. Bright, bold illustrations by Marcin Piwowarski have been paired with Sally Hopgood's simple rhyming text to create a novelty counting book that will be read time and again. Novelty 3D fish models add to the counting and reading learning fun.

The "Five Little Fishes" novelty book has a robust hardcover and board pages and is a perfect title for preschoolers.

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**Fiona's Friends**
Dr. John Hutton, Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Gard...

**Summary**
Fiona, was born six weeks premature. She was too weak to stand and nurse from her mother, Bibi, so caregivers and vet staff stepped in to provide comfort, nutrition, and critical care. With help from #TeamFiona, the premature hippo grew into a healthy hippo and an amazing ambassador for her species. Some of the other species represented in this book, like black rhinos and Malayan tigers, are critically endangered. There is hope for them, but people must care enough to want to save them.

**Contributor Bio**
Dr. John Hutton is a pediatrician, early literacy researcher, and author from Cincinnati, OH. The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden is the second oldest zoo in the United States. Its mission is dedicated to creating adventure, conveying knowledge, conserving nature, and serving the community.
**Zoology for Kids**

**Understanding and Working with Animals, with 21 Activities**

Josh Hestermann, Bethanie Hestermann, The Kratt Brothers

**Summary**

An interactive introduction to working with animals

Zoology for Kids invites the next generation of zoologists to discover the animal kingdom through clear, entertaining information and anecdotes, lush color photos, hands-on activities, and peer-reviewed research. Young minds are introduced to zoology as a science by discussing animals’ forms, functions, and behaviors as well as the history behind zoos and aquariums. Related activities include baking edible animal cells, playing a dolphin-echolocation game, and practicing designing an exhibit. Young readers can peek into the world of zookeepers and aquarists, veterinarians, wildlife researchers, and conservationists as they “train” their friends, mold a tiger’s jawbone, and perform field research in their own backyard. This engaging resource provides readers with new knowledge, a healthy respect for the animal kingdom, and the idea that they can pursue animal-related careers and make a difference to preserve and protect the natural world.

**Contributor Bio**

Josh Hestermann is the terrestrial husbandry manager at the California Science Center. He has worked as a senior mammalogist at the Aquarium of the Pacific in Long Beach, California. Bethanie Hestermann is a freelance writer who also serves as a contributing writer and editor at large at Connected World magazine. They live in southern California. Martin and Chris Kratt, the Kratt Brothers, are the creators and cohosts of the PBS Kids series Kratts Creatures, Wild Kratts, and Zoboomafoo.

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**Next Time You See a Pill Bug**

Emily Morgan

**Summary**

Chances are that just under a nearby rock, you’ll spot a roly-poly pill bug. Encourage a child to take a close look, and introduce a fascinating creature. Gently pick it up and watch as it rolls into a ball and unrolls to take a walk. This cousin to lobsters and crabs sheds its crusty skin and will tickle your hand with its 14 (count ‘em!) wiggly legs. Awaken a sense of wonder in a child with the Next Time You See series from NSTA Kids. The books will inspire elementary-age children to experience the enchantment of everyday phenomena, such as pill bugs, fireflies, seashells, and sunsets. Free supplementary activities are available on the NSTA website. Especially designed to be experienced with an adult—be it a parent, teacher, or friend—Next Time You See books serve as a reminder that you don’t have to look far to find something remarkable in nature.

**Contributor Bio**

Emily Morgan is an author-educator who knows how to connect with children both intellectually and emotionally. A former elementary and middle school teacher, she coauthors the series Picture-Perfect Science and the “Teaching Through Trade Books” column in Science and Children, NSTA’s elementary-level journal, and is the author of the Next Time You See series from NSTA Press.
Dynasties
The Rise and Fall of Animal Families
Stephen Moss, David Attenborough

Summary
Family isn't just important. It's everything. From lions hunting as a pride to penguins huddling together to keep from freezing in the bitter Antarctic winter, many animals are dependent on complex social relationships for their survival. Powerful dynasties lay claim to vast swathes of territory, fighting off rivals and securing their hunting grounds for generations to come. Dynasties offers an immersive insight into the shifting hierarchies of animal families. Each chapter follows a different dynasty, from the Marsh Lions of the Masai Mara to rival packs of African hunting dogs, from a tiger protecting her newborn cubs to a chimpanzee troop and the penguin colonies of the Antarctic. Alongside tender moments when bonds are strengthened through grooming and play, the book charts the rivalries that tip the balance of power, when family members turn against each other and younger animals grow strong enough to challenge for control. With more than 200 stunning photographs and insights from the crew of the BBC series, Dynasties reveals in astonishing detail the intricate social lives of...

Contributor Bio
Stephen Moss is a naturalist, broadcaster, television producer, and author. In a distinguished career at the BBC Natural History Unit his credits included Springwatch, Birds Britannia and The Nature of Britain. His books include The Bumper Book of Nature and Planet Earth II. David Attenborough is a naturalist who is best known for writing and presenting the Life series, as well as narrating The Blue Planet, Frozen Planet, and Planet Earth.

Blowfish's Oceanopedia
291 Extraordinary Things You Didn't Know About the Sea
Tom "The Blowfish" Hird

Summary
The seas of our planet cover more than 70 per cent of the Earth, yet we know less about the ocean depths than the surface of the moon. Join marine biologist and fish-fanatic Tom "The Blowfish" Hird as he lifts the lid on a treasure chest of fascinating facts, to reveal just what we do know about what lurks beneath the waves. You'll discover how the unassuming jellyfish can cause an ocean-wide apocalypse, why walruses turn bright pink after a sunbathe, how a shoal of herring breaks wind to escape the jaws of predators, and why an archer fish spits missiles at its prey. From the invisible world of meiofauna living in the sands of our beaches to a cephalopod called the 'Vampire Squid from Hell," Blowfish takes us on an incredible journey as he follows the currents from shoreline to the bone-crushing pressure of the deep sea.

Contributor Bio
Tom "The Blowfish" Hird is a heavy-metal-loving marine biologist, who knows almost everything there is to know about the world's ocean ecosystems. An ardent marine conservationist, he is an experienced scuba diver with a Divemaster qualification. He has made many TV appearances, including Fishing Impossible, and he is an ambassador for The Marine Conservation Society.
The Wild Remedy
How Nature Mends Us - A Diary
Emma Mitchell

Emma Mitchell’s richly illustrated and evocative nature diary tracks the lives of local flora and fauna around her home and further afield, and shows how being in the wild benefits our mental and physical wellbeing.

Summary
Emma Mitchell has suffered with depression for 25 years. In 2003, she left the city and began to take walks in the countryside around her new home, photographing, collecting and drawing as she went. Each walk was as medicinal as any talking therapy or pharmaceutical. Emma's moving and candid account of her year is a powerful testament to how reconnecting with nature may offer some answers to today's mental health epidemic. While charting her own seasonal highs and lows, she also explains the science behind such changes, calling on new research into such areas as forest bathing and the ways in which our bodies and minds respond to wildlife. Filled with Emma’s beautiful drawings, paintings and photography, this is a truly unique book for anyone who has ever felt drawn to nature and wondered about its influence over us.

Contributor Bio

Our Songbirds
A Songbird for Every Week of the Year
Matt Sewell, Tim Burgess

In a beautiful follow-up to Our Garden Birds, street artist Matt Sewell offers more watercolors and quirky descriptions of songbirds. In Matt's world, the peewit sings the blues, and the bittern fills his neck "like a tweed pair of bellows." Distinctive and enchanting, with a songbird for each week of the year, this delightful gift book will appeal to birders both children and adults, and art and design fans alike.

Contributor Bio
Matt Sewell is the author of Our Garden Birds. He has illustrated for the Guardian and Big Issue, as well as being an avid ornithologist and regular contributor to the Caught by The River website. Tim Burgess is the lead singer of The Charlatans and an enthusiastic birdwatcher.
The Palaeoartist's Handbook
Recreating Prehistoric Animals in Art
Mark Witton

Summary
Extinct worlds live again in paleoart: artworks of fossil animals, plants, and environments carefully reconstructed from paleontological and geological data. Such artworks are widespread in popular culture, appearing in documentaries, museums, books, and magazines, and inspiring depictions of dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals in cinema. This book outlines how fossil animals and environments can be reconstructed from their fossils, explaining how paleoartists overcome gaps in fossil data and predict "soft-tissue" anatomies no longer present around fossil bones. It goes on to show how science and art can meet to produce compelling, interesting takes on ancient worlds, and explores the goals and limitations of this popular but rarely discussed art genre.

Contributor Bio
Mark Witton is a paleontological artist, author, and researcher whose clients include the Natural History Museum, the BBC, and National Geographic.

The Last Crocodile Hunter
A Father and Son Legacy
Bob Irwin, Amanda French

Summary
Bob Irwin grew up in the Dandenong Ranges, where his passion for wildlife was born. A near-death experience made him realize he needed to follow his dreams, so he and his wife Lyn opened a wildlife park. The Irwin children grew up around the Beerwah Reptile & Wildlife Park, learned about the animals, and cared for orphaned wildlife. This unique upbringing had a profound impact on Bob's son Steve, who became world-famous as the Crocodile Hunter. Bob nearly didn't survive the sudden death of his adored wife Lyn, and it was Steve who helped him face life again. When the world tragically lost Steve to a freak diving accident, it was the natural world and the animals within it that helped Bob to keep going. Since then he has continued to fight for Steve's legacy of protecting the planet.

Contributor Bio
Bob Irwin is a celebrated Australian naturalist, animal conservationist, and a pioneering herpetologist. Amanda French is a media and communications specialist across wildlife causes.
The Man Who Ate the Zoo
Frank Buckland: Forgotten Hero of Natural History
Richard Girling

Summary
Frank Buckland was an extraordinary man—a surgeon, a natural historian, a sell-out lecturer, a bestselling writer, a museum curator, and a conservationist, before the concept even existed. Eccentric, revolutionary, popular, prolific, he was one of the 19th century’s authentic geniuses. He was obsessed by food security and finding ways to feed the hungry (the book recounts his many unusual experiments), and by protecting our fisheries (he can be credited with saving British fish from commercial extinction). He was one of the most original, far-sighted, and influential natural scientists of his time, held as high in public esteem as Charles Darwin. The Man Who Ate the Zoo is no conventional biography, but rather a journey back into Buckland’s life, a hunt for this forgotten man. It sets Buckland’s thinking and achievements in a rounded historical context, but views this Victorian adventurer from a modern viewpoint. It is a celebration of the great age of natural science, one man’s genius and what, even now, can be learned from him.

Contributor Bio
Richard Girling is an award-winning environmental journalist. He was named Specialist Writer of the Year in the UK Press Awards in 2002, and was shortlisted for the same award in 2005 and 2006. He was Journalist of the Year at the Press Gazette Environmental Press Awards in 2008 and 2009. He is the author of The Hunt for the Golden Mole.

Save The Planet
An Amazonian Tribal Leader Fights for His People, The Rainforest, and The Earth
Almir Narayamoga Suruí, Corine Sombrun, Julia Graw...

Summary
Almir Sarayamoga Suruí, the Amazonian tribal chieftain of the indigenous Suruí people, is a leader in the fight to save the rainforest not only for the preservation of his land and people, but for the Earth’s and humanity’s survival as well. Joining forces with such high-tech corporations as Apple and Google Earth, Suruí has become a guardian of his people and a global activist, despite death threats and million dollar bounties on his head. A recipient of the Global Citizen Award in 2012, Suruí has calculated the direct cost of the loss of our rainforests—“the lungs of the Earth”—in terms of the total amount of CO2 that their destruction would release into the atmosphere, and the monetary loss that this would entail, and by using this carbon deficit formula, has leased access to pharmaceutical and cosmetic companies who have joined him in the stewardship of these endangered lands, their flora, fauna, and people.

Contributor Bio
Almir Sarayamoga Suruí was the first member of his tribe to graduate from college (with a degree in biology) and the youngest of the Suruí tribe to be made chief, at age 17. He has traveled the world to unite the indigenous people of the equatorial rain forests in their fight to save these vital regions of the earth. Corine Sombrun is an adventure and environmental journalist whose books include Journal of an Apprentice Shaman and In The Footsteps of Geronimo. Julia Grawemeyer is a professor of French Literature at Denison University, Granville, Ohio.
Red Rag to a Bull
Rural Life in an Urban Age
Jamie Blackett

Summary
Author Jamie Blackett arrives home from the Army to take over a small family estate on the Solway Firth in Dumfries and Galloway and finds a rapidly changing countryside. In a humorous and occasionally moving tale he describes how he grapples with the intricacies of farming, conservation, and estate management and tells the story of founding a pack of foxhounds and a herd of pedigree beef cattle. Part childhood memoir, part biopic of rural life, readers are transported to a remote and beautiful part of Scotland and acquainted with its wildlife, its people, and its peccadilloes. One minute he is unblocking his septic tank, the next minute he is watching Glenn Close film a sex scene in his bedroom. Set over the first two decades of the 21st century through the Scottish independence referendum, Brexit, and the hunting ban, the result is a tour d’horizon of the challenges threatening a vulnerable way of life and an emerging rural philosophy about the directions Scotland, farming, and the countryside might take in the brave new world of Brexit.

Contributor Bio
Jamie Blackett was educated at Ludgrove, Eton, the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, and later Warwick Business School (MBA). After working in South Africa he joined the Coldstream Guards, serving in Northern Ireland, the First Gulf War, Hong Kong, the Falkland Islands, Zimbabwe, and Germany. He returned to his roots in Galloway where he is now a farmer, forester, bed and breakfast and holiday cottage host, gardener and odd job man, and occasional freelance journalist writing on farming and the countryside. He is the author of The Enigma of Kidson.

The Orchid Hunter
A Young Botanist's Search for Happiness
Leif Bersweden

Summary
In the summer after leaving school, a young botanist sets out to fulfill a childhood dream—to find every species of orchid native to the British Isles. He has just a few months to complete his quest, which no one has ever done before within one growing season, and it will require ingenuity, stamina and a large dose of luck. As he battles the vagaries of the British climate, feverishly chasing each emerging bloom, Leif Bersweden takes the reader on a remarkable botanical journey. This study of the 52 native species is a fantastic gateway into the compendious world of orchids, and one that will open your eyes to the rare hidden delights to be found on our doorstep. Includes an essential guide to finding all 52 British orchids.

Contributor Bio
Leif Bersweden graduated with a degree in Biology from Oxford and is currently a PhD student at Kew Gardens.
**African Wild Dogs**  
*On the Front Line*  
Brendan Whittington-Jones

**Summary**  
450 is optimistically the number of free-ranging African wild dogs left in South Africa. The immediate future of this dynamic, endangered, large carnivore is in the hands of a thinly spread, intensely committed network of conservationists, donors, state reserves and progressive landowners. When an opportunity to study wild dogs through the Endangered Wildlife Trust presented itself to Brendan Whittington-Jones in 2007, he arrived in Hluhluwe-iMfolozi Park naïve to the challenges of real wildlife conservation. The next seven years were a flood of lessons in the complexity and fascination of wild dog management, anger management, diplomacy, optimism, as well as being a wild dog travel agent. This book lifts the gloss and illusion off a wedge of carnivore conservation, and reveals a snapshot of characters (human and canid) and organizations that tread the murky waters of trying to ensure the species’ persistence in South Africa.

**Contributor Bio**  
Brendan Whittington-Jones studied zoology and entomology at Rhodes University and currently works as a conservationist at a private game reserve in Zululand.

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**Creepy Crawlies and the Scientific Method (2nd Edition)**  
*More Than 100 Hands-On Science Experiments for Children*  
Sally Kneidel

The updated version of the popular guide to insects and the scientific method.

**Summary**  
From monarch butterflies to hissing cockroaches, *Creepy Crawlies and the Scientific Method*, Second Edition shows teachers and parents how to use bugs, insects and critters to teach children the five steps of the scientific method: question, hypothesis, methods, result, and conclusion. Focusing on fun as well as education, and operating on the premise that doing is learning, *Creepy Crawlies* offers more than 100 different activities which will ignite children’s curiosity while also building foundations for critical thinking and scientific understanding. This classroom-tested collection of experiments is a perfect resource for teachers or just an afternoon of educational fun at home. The second edition includes updated content and four new insect species: the monarch butterfly, the black swallowtail butterfly, the bessbug, and the Madagascar hissing roach!

**Contributor Bio**  
Sally Kneidel grew up surrounded by woods and spent her youth befriending and exploring the small critters around her. While earning a PhD in Biology at the University of North Carolina, Sally’s fascination with woodland creatures expanded and transformed as she learned the joys of field experimentation. Eager to share her enthusiasm and expertise with open-minded students, she became an elementary science teacher. Sally has now taught for more than 15 years and her passion for wild things has taken her to the rainforests of Asia, Africa, South and Central America, as a photographer, journalist, and educator. She writes on a variety of science topics from health to wildlife conservation and has won several awards for writing, blogging, and photography. The first edition of this book, and the sequel to it, were both named to Science Books & Films’ “Best Books for Children” list.
Animal Welfare Science, Husbandry and Ethics
The Evolving Story of Our Relationship with Farm Animals
Mark Fisher

Summary
Animal Welfare Science, Husbandry and Ethics charts the history of our understanding of farm animal welfare, throughout time—the human use of animals in different eras, and farming in different systems. The book examines the human/non-human animal relationship with a philosophical approach, examining the connections and disconnections between animals and people, and charts the beliefs and motives of different philosophers, theories, and movements in animal welfare. The book also looks at our current animal welfare systems, the pathway to how we got here, and future considerations for achieving a sustainable animal welfare model.

Intended for animal welfare students, teachers, researchers and academic libraries, this book introduces a complex subject requiring an understanding of the underlying factors and drivers of human behaviour and farming systems.

Contributor Bio
Mark Fisher is a scientist with an understanding of animal ethics and philosophy.

Cave Canem
Animals and Roman Society
Iain Ferris

Summary
In many ways, Roman attitudes to animals were similar to our own; they kept animals as household pets, they farmed animals for meat and hunted and fished. However, animals also played a far more significant role in Roman culture and religion - and in the Roman imagination. In this book, Dr Iain Ferris discusses the extraordinary slaughter of huge numbers of animals for entertainment in the Roman arena, their association with the gods, their place in mythology and symbolism and their use in Roman religious practice. Many of their actions towards animals are seen today as cruel, but what did animals mean for the Romans and how did they view their own actions? Cave Canemexamines both written and archaeological sources, particularly visual evidence in the form of sculptures, coins, mosaics, wall paintings and decorated everyday items in order to shed light on animals in Roman culture.

Contributor Bio
Dr Iain Ferris is a professional archaeologist of thirty-seven years' standing, and has taught at Birmingham and Manchester Universities. He is a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London and has published widely. His research interests include Roman art and material culture and Romano-British archaeology and artefacts. He has directed major archaeological research excavations in northern and midland England and has served as a member of the Archaeology Committee of the Society for the Promotion of Roman Studies. He lives in Pembrey, Carmarthenshire, Wales.
Avian Anatomy
Textbook and Colour Atlas (Second Edition)
Horst E. Koenig, Ruediger Korbel, Hans-Georg Liebi...

Summary
Bringing together annotated images and anatomical terms, this reference book is a unique combination of a practical, clinically oriented textbook and pictorial atlas of avian anatomy. Containing very high quality photographs, including histological and radiographic images, and schematic diagrams, this edition focuses on ornamental birds and poultry. Among the various species examined are chickens, ducks, and geese, as well as budgerigars, psittacines and many others. Wild bird species, such as the common buzzard and falcon, are included. Raptors are featured in a dedicated new chapter. Translated from Anatomie der Voegel, first published by Schattauer, this edition of Avian Anatomy is an ideal book for veterinary practitioners and students. *** "...a wealth of knowledge. Aside from anatomy, the book contains 7 chapters that are dedicated to clinically relevant topics, such as diagnostic imaging techniques, restraint and handling, and medication techniques. This book is an excellent reference for avian veterinarians, poultry specialists, veterinary students, and others interested in e...
**Keeping Geese**

**Breeds and Management**

Chris Ashton

**Summary**

*Keeping Geese* is a complete guide to the domesticated goose. It shows how this intelligent bird has been absorbed into different cultures throughout history: from the taming of the Greylag and the Swan goose to the exhibition of the mighty Toulouse, the story of the goose is intimately involved in both Eastern and Western cultures.

**Contributor Bio**

**Dr. Chris Ashton** is the author of *Keeping Geese*. Dr. Ashton and her husband Mike are co-authors of *The Domestic Duck* and *Domestic Geese*, and they have contributed articles to magazines such as Smallholder and Fancy Fowl for many years.

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**Puffins**

Drew Buckley

**Summary**

*From feeding to breeding, predators to conservation, a delightful look at this very recognizable seabird*

Take an intimate journey with an award-winning wildlife photographer as he observes the trials and joys of this charismatic creature through the lens of his camera. Featuring stunning photography, *Puffins* provides an amusing insight into the daily struggles of this tenacious little bird.

**Contributor Bio**

**Drew Buckley** is a landscape and wildlife photographer. A frequent contributor to established wildlife and photography magazines, he is a lover of all things outdoors and is regularly nominated for photography awards.
### The Owl Book

**Russ Jane**

**Summary**

*The Owl Book* is a fascinating compendium of all things owl, featuring details of the life cycle and the differences between the many species. There is also a section exploring owls in myth and legends from around the world and their place in art and literature. This compact guide to a much-loved creature is rigorously researched and photo-illustrated throughout.

**Contributor Bio**

**Jane Russ** is the Chairman of the Hare Preservation Trust.

### Roberts Bird Guide

**Hugh Chittenden, Greg Davies, Ingrid Weiersbye**

**Summary**

*Roberts Bird Guide* (2nd Edition) has gone to great trouble to concentrate on, and illustrate, difficult-to-identify species and family groups such as raptors, warblers, cisticolas and waders. Special attention has been given to make sure there is far greater coverage of male-female differences and there are also many more juvenile illustrations. Unlike all previously published southern African bird guides, this new edition will be scattered with informative photographs that are incorporated in the text pages and each plate illustration is augmented with an introduction. Apart from the approximately 240 plate spreads, the guide also has 12 photographic and illustrated double spreads that show head enlargements and other details. Plates are annotated far more definitively than other guides – highlighting key identification features, especially for difficult-to-identify species. Plates are richly illustrated with vignettes, which will make any birding experience more informative.

**Contributor Bio**

**Hugh Chittenden** is a photographer, the chairman of the John Voelcker Bird Book Fund, and the author of *Top Birding Spots in Southern Africa*. **Ian Whyte** lived and worked in the Kruger National park for 37 years, is an ornithologist, and is the author of *World Without End?: Environmental Disaster and the Collapse of Empires*. **Greg Davies** has been an ornithologist at the Ditsong National Museum of Natural History since January 2010. **Ingrid Weiersbye** grew up in Zimbabwe, a country where the natural beauty shaped her deep interest in and love for all aspects of nature. Ingrid has painted professionally and exhibited extensively for 38 years, working in acrylic and oils from her studio in Hilton, KwaZulu-Nstsl.
Roberts Birds of Southern Africa
Hugh Chittenden, Greg Davies, Ingrid Weiersbye

Summary
Roberts Birds of Southern Africa has been continuously in print for some 65 years and is the most popular African natural history book of all time. The scope and depth of biological information in the Seventh edition of Roberts far exceeds that of any previous edition. It covers all 951 species recorded in the region and also illustrates these in 80 new plates commissioned from the region’s best bird artists. For scientists and conservationists it is a benchmark publication and will be a standard reference for years to come. For birdwatchers it will be an invaluable source of information to help them better understand and appreciate the birds around them.

Contributor Bio
Hugh Chittenden is a photographer and author. Greg Davies has been an ornithologist at the Ditsong National Museum of Natural History since 2010. Davies has an MSc (cum laude) from the University of KwaZulu-Natal in Zoology and previously worked as a curator in Entomology at the Natal Museum, Pietermaritzburg. Ingrid Weiersbye has painted professionally for 38 years, working from her studio in Hilton, KwaZulu-Natal.

A Naturalist's Guide to the Birds of Singapore
Yong Ding Li, Lim Kim Chuah, Lee Tiah Khee

Summary
This easy-to-use identification guide to the 280 bird species most commonly seen in Singapore is perfect for resident and visitor alike. High quality photographs from Singapore's top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers geography and climate, vegetation, opportunities for naturalists and the main sites for viewing the listed species. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the birds of Singapore encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, IUCN status.

Contributor Bio
Yong Ding Li is vice-chair of the Southeast Asian Biodiversity Society and committee member of the Nature Society (Singapore)'s bird group. He is currently pursuing a PhD in biodiversity conservation at the Australian National University. Ding Li has extensive field experience in Singapore and across Asia, and has published many research papers on birds, conservation and ecology. He also advises the IUCN SSC on South-east Asian birds. Lim Kim Chuah is committee member of the Nature Society (Singapore)'s bird group and one of the most experienced birdwatchers in Singapore, with over 30 years of field experience in the country and across Asia. He has written many papers and books on Singapore's bird fauna. Lead photographer Lee Tiah Khee is a professional with over 25 years of experience. He is one of Singapore's top nature photographers and has won numerous accolades, including the Singapore International Photography award and the prestigious Young Artist Award in Photography in 1992. His works has been published in many magazines and books.
Birdscaping Australian Gardens
George Adams

Summary
Wake up to the beautiful sound of bird song every day. Discover how to identify the most common garden birds, and how to choose, grow, and maintain the native plants that will attract them to your backyard. From acacias to eucalypts, and from honeyeaters to kookaburras, this essential guide will help transform any garden across Australia into an avian paradise. Featuring plant and bird directories illustrated with superb color photographs and line drawings, as well as comprehensive planting tables and expert advice, this book has all you need to create a refuge for birds—and so preserve Australia’s amazing natural heritage and biodiversity.

Contributor Bio
George Adams is a writer, landscape designer, wildlife artist, photographer, and architect. His lifelong interest in natural science and conservation led him to develop the concept of landscaping gardens with native wildlife as an integral part of the design.

Birds & People
Mark Cocker, David Tipling

Summary
The definitive groundbreaking book on the relationship between birds and humankind, with contributions from more than 600 bird enthusiasts from all over the world. Part natural history and part cultural study, this book describes and maps the entire spectrum of human engagements with birds, drawing in themes of history, literature, art, cuisine, language, lore, politics, and the environment. Vast in both scope and scale, it draws upon Mark Cocker's 40 years of observing and thinking about birds to celebrate this relationship. The book is as important for its visual riches as it is for its groundbreaking content, as one of Europe's best wildlife photographers has traveled in 39 countries on seven continents to produce a breathtaking and unique collection of photographs. The author solicited contributions from people worldwide, and personal anecdotes and stories have come from more than 600 individuals of 81 different nationalities, ranging from university academics to Mongolian eagle hunters, and from Amerindian shamans to highly celebrated writers. The sheer multitude of voices in thi...

Contributor Bio
Mark Cocker is the author of Birders: Tale of a Tribe; Birds Britannica; and Rivers of Blood, Rivers of Gold. David Tipling is a wildlife photographer who has won numerous awards and the author of The Bird Photography Field Guide and Digital Wildlife Photography.
**Our Garden Birds**
Matt Sewell

**Summary**
In this beautiful, collectible new volume, street artist Matt Sewell offers his own unique take on 52 of Britain's favorite garden birds. Since its first appearance in July 2009, Matt's "Bird of the Week" feature for the Caught by the River website has quickly become a cult hit. His pop-art watercolors are distinctive and enchanting, as are his innovative descriptions. With 52 birds, one for each week of the year, this delightful gift book will appeal to birders, children, and adults, and art and design fans alike.

**Contributor Bio**
Matt Sewell has illustrated for the *Guardian* and *Big Issue*, as well as being an avid ornithologist and regular contributor to the Caught by The River website (he also designed their logo).

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**Cerulean Blues**
A Personal Search for a Vanishing Songbird
Katie Fallon

**Summary**
Taking the reader from the mountains of Appalachia to a coffee plantation near Bogotá, Colombia, this investigation into the plight of the cerulean warbler—a tiny migratory songbird—describes its struggle to survive in ever-shrinking bands of suitable habitat. This elusive creature—a favorite among bird watchers and the fastest-declining warbler species in the United States—has lost three percent of its total population each year since 1966. This precipitous decline means that today there are 80 percent fewer ceruleans than 40 years ago, and their numbers continue to drop because of threats including deforestation, global warming, and mountaintop-removal coal mining. With scientific rigor and a sense of wonder, Fallon charts their path across more than 2000 miles and shows how the fate of a creature weighing less than an ounce is vitally linked to that of our own.

**Contributor Bio**
Katie Fallon has had nonfiction pieces in a variety of magazines and journals, including *Appalachian Heritage*, *Isotope: A Journal of Literary Nature and Science Writing*, and *River Teeth: A Journal of Nonfiction Narrative*. Her essay "Lost," published in *The Fourth River*, was nominated for a Pushcart Prize in 2008. She teaches creative writing at West Virginia University. She lives in Morgantown, West Virginia.
Animals, Ethics and Us
A Veterinary’s View of Human-Animal Interactions
Madeleine Campbell

Summary
Everyone has a view about animal ethics. Each of us, for example, has an opinion about whether we should eat meat, whether animals should be used for scientific research, or whether the use of animals in sport is acceptable. But very few of us stop to wonder about the basis of our views, or to rationalize them. In this book, Madeleine Campbell aims to enable us to do so, by addressing a series of questions, such as: when does animal use become abuse; why do we treat some animals differently from others; are there some things which we should never do to animals; and just because we can, should we? Drawing on her experience as a veterinarian, a researcher, and more, the author takes ethical argument beyond academia and applies it to the question which currently dominates societal debate about human-animal interactions: what (if anything) is a reasonable use of an animal?

Animals, Ethics, and Us offers a stripped back, balanced and moderate perspective, based on logical argument, philosophical principles, and sound science. It is a thought-provoking read aimed at a broad readership, incl...

Contributor Bio
Dr Madeleine Campbell is a Veterinarian, a European Diplomate in Animal Welfare Science, Ethics and Law, and a clinical specialist in Equine Reproduction. In addition to her veterinary qualifications, Madeleine holds a MA in Medical Ethics and Law, and was the first veterinarian ever to be awarded a Bioethics Fellowship by the Wellcome Trust. She currently teaches and researches ethics and human-animal interactions at the Royal Veterinary College, UK.

Killing Keiko
The True Story of Free Willy’s Return to the Wild
Mark Simmons

The true story of Keiko, the world’s most famous killer whale and his release to Icelandic waters has gone untold until now. Millions of Free Willy movie enthusiasts have been led to believe that Keiko’s return to the wild was a triumph, just like the Hollywood version. But according to author Mark ...

Summary
In 1978, a young killer whale “Keiko” was collected off the east coast of Iceland and spent the next 18 years in human care. At Reino Aventura Park in Mexico, his home was not conducive to good health, and over time his condition deteriorated. In 1993, Keiko became the star of Free Willy, a Warner Bros. blockbuster movie, that enchanted the public and led children and adults to believe that a whale, long-held in the care of man, could successfully make its way in the wild.

Animal rights organizations lobbied for a real-life release program for Keiko, similar to his fictitious counterpart, and millions of dollars were raised to return the orca back to his home waters.

Author Mark Simmons was leader of the team of animal behaviorists brought to Iceland as part of the release project. But the program was doomed to failure from the start; plagued by hidden agendas and an organization unable to recognize that Keiko needed to learn to be wild before any chance at survival could exist.

Contributor Bio
Mark Simmons has worked in the field of applied behavioral sciences for 28 years. As the director of animal husbandry for the Keiko Release Project, Simmons authored and applied the behavioral rehabilitation blueprint for reintroduction that gained approval from the Icelandic Ministry of Fisheries for Keiko’s formal release.

He assists governments on protective marine legislation, participates in ongoing research with marine mammal experts worldwide, and writes articles on the science of marine animal behavior and rehabilitation.
Beat about the Bush
Exploring the Wild – The Comprehensive Guide
Trevor Carnaby

Summary
Beat about the Bush is a series of remarkable books for outdoor and nature lovers. This comprehensive guide has been expanded to include not only mammals, birds and reptiles, but amphibians, invertebrates, plants, field signs and clues as well. The information is portrayed in the same detailed yet user-friendly, question-and-answer format. Have you ever wondered ... • why birds often fly in formation, • why hornbills call with their wings open, • why cuckoos lay their eggs in other birds’ nests • and how long crocodiles can stay under water with one breath? Interesting information on the plants these animals depend on is also included, as are the most interesting aspects of climate/weather, geology, astronomy and bush management practices.

Contributor Bio
Trevor Carnaby has been working as a professional field guide for the last 20 years. Passionate about Africa, he is actively involved in guide training and spends a great deal of time photographing Southern and East Africa’s wildlife, people and landscapes, while leading tailored, privately guided safaris through his company, Beat about the Bush Safaris.

The Antelope of Africa
Willem Frost, Trevor Carnaby

Summary
A definitive field guide to the Antelope of Africa, this book conveys their conservation status, threats and risks for survival, distribution ranges, habitat requirements, habits, and how some of the species were introduced to the scientific world. With text complemented by distribution maps, full-color photographs, and the latest taxonomic classifications, this book also features specific reference to antelope sub-species as the conservation prospects for many species differ from region to region. The Antelope of Africa also shares the story of Africa’s antelope and, as the antelope family is becoming increasingly threatened as population numbers are on the decline almost everywhere, it aims to raise appreciation for the diversity of antelope species and their plight in a changing Africa.

Contributor Bio
Willem Frost is a conservationist, a hunter, a writer and a photographer who has spent decades in the African bush exploring, hunting, studying, and photographing the fauna and flora of the region. Trevor Carnaby is a professional field guide with more than 20 years of experience. He leads private guided safaris through his company, Beat about the Bush Safaris, and has is the author of several books, including Beat about the Bush Birds and Beat about the Bush Mammals.
A Naturalist's Guide to the Dangerous Creatures of Australia
Peter Rowland, Scott Eipper

Summary
Photographic identification guide to the 280 species of dangerous creature most commonly seen in Australia which is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

High quality photographs from Australia’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers the geography and climate of Australia, types of habitat, and details of orders and families. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the dangerous creatures of Australia encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, and its global IUCN status as at 2015.

Contributor Bio
Peter Rowland is a wildlife conservationist, educator and nature photographer, and worked at the Australian Natural History Museum for a period spanning 30 years. Peter has travelled extensively throughout Australia as a biodiversity consultant, and has written several books and scientific articles on Australia’s wildlife. In 1999, Peter was the recipient of a Whitley Award from the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales.

Scott Eipper is a herpetological consultant, author and wildlife photographer, who works with his wife Tyese, in their business Nature 4 You. As part of his role Scott conducts wildlife surveys, emergency removals and educational displays. He has written two books, papers and numerous articles on Australian herpetofauna.

Animal Kingdom
A Natural History in 100 Objects
Jack Ashby

Summary
Life on earth has existed for 500 million years. In that time, the evolution and natural selection of species has formed a diversity of life rich in incredible methods of survival, reproduction, and adaption. From penis worms, which existed 508 million years ago, to threatened species such as the white rhino, this beautifully illustrated book takes the reader on a journey through natural history and shows the richness of animal life on our planet like you’ve never seen it before.

Contributor Bio
Jack Ashby is the manager of the Grant Museum of Zoology at UCL. He studied zoology at Cambridge University and has written for the Guardian, Financial Times, Daily Mail, and BBC London.
**Mustang Ride**

The Adventures of the Wilson Sisters in the American West  
Kelly Wilson

**Summary**

An absolutely stunning book from cover to cover. Over 100 photos. Anyone looking for an adventure read will love this book. It starts off with an introduction to the Wilson sisters so whether you’ve read the previous books or not you will understand who they are and how passionate they are about improving all horses welfare. Beautifully written, you are taken away on an amazing journey. Worth the read.  
From the author of the bestselling books *For the Love of Horses* and *Stallion Challenges* comes a brand new adventure, this time in the cowboy country of the American West.  
Having saved New Zealand’s wild Kaimanawa horses, the Wilson sisters - Kelly, Vicki and Amanda - turn to the plight of America’s wild Mustangs. Can they tame their Mustangs in time for the Extreme Mustang Makeover?  

Join Kelly, Vicki and Amanda as they ride through the American wilderness on their most exciting and eventful journey yet.  

**Contributor Bio**

**Kelly Wilson** grew up around horses, competing in show jumping to Pony Grand Prix level before focusing on her creative talents. She is the author of *Stallion Challenges*.  

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**The Bee Book**

Jo Byrne

**Summary**

*The Bee Book* is a fascinating collection of everything related to the bee, spanning the natural and scientific to its place in arts and literature. This title is a compact guide to this much-loved and now threatened creature, and a reminder of the necessary actions which must be taken to protect species and their environments. The title is rigorously researched and illustrated throughout with a selection of stunning photography, illustration and art work.  

**Contributor Bio**

**Jo Byrne** is a passionate animal welfare and animal rights champion living in a relatively rural town in Bedfordshire. *The Bee Book* is her first publication with Graffeg.
**The Vulgar Wasp**
Phil Lester

**Summary**
They’re ranked one of the world’s worst invasive species. Wasps are feared and hated by many of us, with good reason – they sting. Wasps also place massive pressure on biodiversity. Native to Europe, Vespu l vulgaris, the common wasp, has been inadvertently transported around the globe. Though we know them as pests, wasps are amazingly efficient predators with some exceptionally smart behaviours. Some people find them pretty tasty too. In this book, Phil Lester describes the many fascinating and lesser-known sides of the common wasp. He asks: how can we manage wasps? Can we ever learn to live with them? What can they teach us about the challenges we face for pest control? *The Vulgar Wasp* tells the story of the common wasp and its impact on us.

**Contributor Bio**
Phil Lester is a Professor in Ecology and Entomology at Victoria University in New Zealand. He has published over 125 articles on invasive ants, wasps and other insects.

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**Koala**
*Origins of an Icon*
Stephen Jackson

**Summary**
A detailed and fascinating examination of the history and unique ecology of an animal that is adored for its large fluffy ears, spoon-shaped nose, and bright button eyes

This fascinating story of the koala explores the ecology, behavior, and history of an extraordinary animal, as well as ongoing threats to its existence such as disease and habitat loss, and the controversial debate about how to best manage the populations of Australia’s favorite marsupial. Tracing its origins from a peaceful relationship with Aborigines to Europeans valuing only its fur to its rightful place as an Australian icon, this investigation shows the resilient and adaptive nature of the koala—described by many as a triumph of evolution. Today its homeland is compromised and the creature is endangered, and this remarkable recollection of its life stands as a testament to its necessary survival.

**Contributor Bio**
Stephen Jackson has worked in the wildlife industry for 20 years as a field biologist, zoo keeper, wildlife park curator, and government zoo regulator. He has worked extensively with koalas in captivity. He is the author of *Australian Mammals: Biology and Captive Management*.
**Tasmanian Devil**

A Unique and Threatened Animal  
David Owen, David Pemberton

**Summary**

Fascinating new insights into the famous Australian marsupial  

Packed with information that has only been published in scientific journals, if ever at all, this collection of biological facts challenges the misconceptions associated with Australia's most famous marsupial. Far from being a scavenging, ferocious oddity, an image perpetuated by the infamous cartoon character, the Tasmanian Devil is actually a treasured and valuable wildlife species facing extinction. By sharing the surprising, controversial, funny, and tragic history behind the world's largest marsupial carnivore, this new guidebook covers all aspects of the biology and the habitat of the Tasmanian Devil.

**Contributor Bio**

David Owen is the author of *Shark* and *Tasmanian Tiger*. David Pemberton is the vertebrate curator at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery.

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**The Red Squirrel: A Short Guide to Its Behavior and Ecology**

Joseph Bahr

This book is not for the specialist but for all people who enjoy wildlife or the outdoors. It continues in the great tradition of natural history books, which educate and entertain at the same time. Full color photographs of squirrels and their environment embellish the text. Enjoy it and enjoy also...

**Summary**

The red squirrel scampers about the woods within a day's driving time of many Americans. For more than a century it has charmed and entertained writers and travelers. Even residents of areas with red squirrels often find delight in watching them. Now red squirrels have a book to showcase the behavior and ecology that make them so special. The author assumes that readers have no special knowledge or education in ecology or animal behavior. The author makes it easy and enjoyable to get to know this fascinating animal. The book's nine chapters cover the gamut of squirrel behavior and ecology. Information for all chapters comes from the author's observations and from more than one hundred research papers in academic journals. The first chapter explains such basics as the evolution of squirrels, why a squirrel has darker fur on its back and lighter fur on its belly, how well a squirrel sees and hears, and how a squirrel can so easily climb up and down trees. The next three chapters describe how squirrels move on the ground and in the trees, why squirrels are so noisy, and what squirrels eat...

**Contributor Bio**

The author has led numerous field trips for environmental and recreational organizations. He has also been a college instructor in ecology and animal behavior. He currently resides in a mountain valley that is home to a few people and a lot of squirrels.
**A Journey Through the Horse's Body**

*The Anatomy of the Horse*

Dr. Christina Fritz

**Summary**

*A fascinating journey through the horse's body from head to tail*

The horse's organs, from nostrils to tail, are presented with their structures and functions, in this book that covers the musculoskeletal system, the horse's senses, the brain and nervous system, and the digestive system. The subject matter is fascinating right down to the smallest detail, and even experienced horse owners will enjoy one or two "aha" moments. The reader becomes an active companion on an exciting journey through the horse's body.

**Contributor Bio**

**Dr. Christina Fritz** is an author and a biologist specializing in animal physiology. She manages her own practice for integrated equine therapy.

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**The Red Squirrel Book**

*The Red Squirrel Book*

Russ Jane

**Summary**

*The Red Squirrel Book* is a stunning compendium of fact and photography. The red squirrel is an instantly recognizable fixture of British wildlife and its physiology, character, habitat, and much more are explored in this concise but rich introduction to these fascinating creatures. The book is extensively illustrated throughout with a range of spectacular photographs, each reaffirming why important efforts are being made to conserve this remarkable species.

**Contributor Bio**

**Jane Russ** is an author, contributor, and series editor for The Nature Book Series, including *The Hare Book*, *The Fox Book*, and *The Owl Book*. 
A Naturalist's Guide to the Mammals of Australia
Chris Farrell, Peter Rowland

Summary
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Contributor Bio
Chris Farrell is a nature and landscape photographer who has spent the last 32 years behind a camera capturing the natural world and enjoying the ride. Chris is an accredited fundraiser for the World Wide Fund for Nature Australia, and is a strong campaigner for the conservation of Australia’s wildlife. Chris’s images have been used to study the movements and population trends of endangered animals, including the Southern Right Whale.

Peter Rowland is a wildlife conservationist, educator and nature photographer, and worked at the Australian Natural History Museum for a period spanning 30 years. Peter has travelled extensively throughout Australia as a biodiversity consultant, and has written several books and scientific articles on Australia's wildlife. In 1999, Peter was the recipient of a Whitley Award from the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales.

World's Most Endangered
Sophie McCallum

Summary
World’s Most Endangered offers a fascinating facts and mind-blowing information on some of the world’s rarest creatures. It focuses on 25 species of mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians which are classified as Critically Endangered by the WWF and IUCN.

Each account begins with stunning photographs and a fact panel giving key information, before providing detailed insight into the lives of these species, plus the threats they face and the conservation efforts being made to ensure their survival.

Animals covered include causes celebres such as Sumatran Tiger, Mountain Gorilla, Pangolin, Leatherback Turtle and California Condor, together with lesser-known animals in peril like the Lemur Leaf Frog, Geometric Tortoise and Red Wolf. It gives an entertaining and engaging take on the subject, and is ideal for either reading right the way through or just dipping into a chapter at a time.

Contributor Bio
Sophie McCallum is a lifelong advocate of conservation.

She has spent time in Zimbabwe on projects concerned with the environment and community, has worked on scientific analysis of the River Tamar and she holds a BSc (Hons) in Environmental Studies and Creative Writing, as well as a qualification in Horticulture.

Sophie has been working or volunteering with environmental organisations such as the Wildlife Trusts, the Eden Project, Natural England and BTCV for over two decades and she is always excited to educate others about the natural world.
Reindeer
An Arctic Life
Tilly Smith

A stunning natural history – the perfect read for a winter’s night in front of the fire

Summary
In this enchanting book, Tilly Smith leads the reader through the cold and extraordinary natural history of the reindeer. A creature that is often used to adorn the winter season, the reindeer has been domesticated in Eurasia for longer than the horse while in North America it exists side by side with the humans, never tamed yet vital to the native settlements. Despite the popularity of the image of the reindeer, they are rarely seen in real life. This beautiful, comforting little book, peppered with anecdotes about the author’s own herd, is sure to kindle affection for one of nature’s most adaptable mammals, from fur-covered hooves to downy antlers.

Contributor Bio
Tilly Smith is co-director of the Cairngorm Reindeer Centre, which she runs with her husband. She has previously written Velvet Antlers, Velvet Noses and The Real Rudolph, and has also given talks on radio and television. Annually, during November and December she takes her herd of reindeer on a popular tour of Britain.

The Mind of the Dolphin
A Nonhuman Intelligence
John Cunningham Lilly, John C. Lilly

Summary
In this Consciousness Classic dating from 1967, Dr. John C. Lilly details the discoveries of his research regarding the abilities of dolphins, current ideas (at that time) about their intellect, and the paradoxes of interspecies communication. The book includes a detailed account of the experiment carried out by Dr. Lilly of having a dolphin and human live together in a specially designed house, and this expanded edition includes black-and-white photo plates and additional articles and writings from Dr. Lilly on dolphins as well as other scientific subjects. This is the book that launched a subculture seeking human–dolphin interaction. Although some of Lilly’s findings on dolphin communication have now been refuted, Dr. Lilly’s willingness to delve into areas not documented in the scientific literature is still an important scientific achievement and a cultural model for younger generations.

Contributor Bio
John Cunningham Lilly, MD, was an American physician, neuroscientist, psychoanalyst, psychonaut, philosopher, and inventor. He is the author of many books, including The Center of the Cyclone, The Deep Self, Programming the Human Biocomputer, The Scientist, Simulations of God, and Tanks for the Memories. His research on human–dolphin communication and consciousness-expanding drugs were the inspiration for the films Altered States and Day of the Dolphin.
Manuela Kirschner, Matthias Bergbauer

Summary
This handy pocket guide enables divers and snorkelers to identify more than 270 of the most common species of marine life likely to be encountered in and around the coral reefs of the Indo-Pacific region, including fish, reptiles and amphibians, and invertebrates. Each species featured is illustrated with an outstanding colour photograph, accompanied by a species description covering nomenclature, size, habits, and distribution. The Indo-Pacific region, encompassing the Indian and western Pacific Oceans, includes the major diving destinations of the Red Sea, the Maldives, Thailand, Malaysia, the Philippines, Indonesia, the Great Barrier Reef, Melanesia, Micronesia, and Polynesia, and accounts for 92% of the world's coral reefs. This guidebook shows the species that divers and snorkelers are really likely to encounter - it's the essential companion for every diving expedition.

Contributor Bio
Manuela Kirschner is a very experienced diver with extensive first-hand knowledge of the underwater world of the Indo-Pacific region. Matthias Bergbauer is a very experienced diver with extensive first-hand knowledge of the underwater world of the Indo-Pacific region.

The World's Great Dive Sites
Lawson Wood

Summary
This magnificent and comprehensive illustrated reference to the world's best dive locations includes the Caribbean Sea (Bahamas, Mexico, Cuba, Cayman Islands, The Virgin Islands, Belize, Honduras, Aruba, Bonaire, and Curacao, Tobago, St Lucia and Dominica), Bermuda, the Red Sea (Egypt and Sudan), the Indian Ocean (Oman, Maldives, Seychelles, Mozambique and Western Australia), the Indo-Pacific (Thailand, Malaysia and Indonesia), and the Pacific Ocean (Philippines, Micronesia, Melanesia, Papua New Guinea, French Polynesia and Eastern Australia).

Superb quality underwater photography shows a huge variety of wrecks, marine habitats and aquatic species. The descriptions detail the type of dive to be experienced as well as what you can expect to see. Each dive site featured can be located via a detailed regional site map, and a travel advisory is also included.

Contributor Bio
Lawson Wood has been fortunate to make his passion his career, and has authored and co-authored over 45 books, mainly about the underwater world. He is a founding member of the Marine Conservation Society, and made history by becoming the first person to be a member of the Royal Photographic Society and Fellow of the British Institute of Professional Photographers solely for underwater photography.
Muck Diving
Nigel Marsh

Summary
Muck diving today is a global phenomenon, with divers travelling around the world to marvel at exotica such as Mimic Octopus, Flamboyant Cuttlefish, mantis shrimps, Bobbit Worms, stargazers, frogfish, snake eels, Demon Ghouls and blue-ringed octopus.

This book – the first complete guide to muck diving – explores different muck environments, the history of muck diving, muck diving techniques and photography tips.

It tells you all you need to know about the most popular muck critters, and the best muck diving destinations in the Indo-Pacific, making it a must-have guide for divers everywhere.

Contributor Bio
Nigel Marsh is an underwater photographer and photo journalist who’s work has been published in numerous magazines, newspapers and books, around the world.

Nigel has dived extensively, especially the Great Barrier Reef and Coral Sea, and also throughout Asia, Pacific Ocean, Indian Ocean and Caribbean.

His underwater photographs have won a number of international photographic competitions.

Wild Dives
The Most Mind-Blowing Underwater Encounters With Marine Animals From Around the World
Nick Robertson-Brown, FRPS, Caroline Robertson-Brown...

Summary
A book filled with underwater adventures, Wild Dives takes the reader to remote locations to experience some of the best, and sometimes weirdest, underwater spectacles and adventures from around the world. What is a Wild Dive? One that gets you up close to amazing wild marine life, that makes your heart pump a little faster, and takes you to a remote and wild destination. The book covers 25 of the most memorable diving adventures from around the world, including amazing sharks in The Bahamas, exploring smaller critters in caves and on wrecks and reefs, swimming with Giant Mantas in the Pacific and even going eyeball to eyeball with whales. Each experience is accompanied by the authors’ beautiful underwater images.

Contributor Bio
Nick and Caroline Robertson-Brown are a husband and wife team of underwater photographers. They both have degrees in biology from Manchester University, with Caroline also having a masters in animal behaviour. Nick has been awarded a Fellowship from the Royal Photographic Society and he also has a masters in teaching. They are passionate about marine conservation and hope that their images can inspire people to look after our seas and oceans.
Horseshoe Crab

Biography of a Survivor

Anthony D. Fredericks, Glenn Gauvry

Summary

Traveling from the Delaware Bay to the Florida Panhandle, this examination is a quest through the natural history and science behind one of nature's oldest and oddest survivors—the horseshoe crab. With ten eyes, five pairs of walking legs, a heart half the length of their bodies, and blood that can save a person's life, horseshoe crabs have been on this planet for 445 million years—since long before the dinosaurs arrived. This book explores their unique biology and sex life, explains their importance to medical science and migratory shorebirds, and introduces readers to the people who are working to study and protect them.

Contributor Bio

Anthony D. Fredericks is a professor of education at York College of Pennsylvania and has written more than 125 books, including Ace Your Teacher Interview, Desert Dinosaurs, How Long Things Live, and Walking with Dinosaurs. He lives in York, Pennsylvania. Glenn Gauvry is the founder of the Ecological Research and Development Group (ERDG), which is the leading organization working for the preservation of horseshoe crabs. He lives in Little Creek, Delaware.

The Guide to Colorado Reptiles and Amphibians

Mary Taylor Young

Summary

Better than a toad in your pocket, this book will educate and delight visitors to Colorado's outdoors.

Contributor Bio

Award-winning nature writer Mary Taylor Young spent her childhood summers roaming the Colorado Rockies from her grandparents' cabin in Estes Park. Her love of wild things and the outdoors led to a degree in zoology from Colorado State University and a life devoted to nature and the environment. Her nine books range from Land of Grass and Sky: A Naturalist's Prairie Journey, a story of spiritual growth inspired by the landscape of the High Plains, to the Watchable Birds book series. Mary's Words on Birds column appeared in the Rocky Mountain News from 1993 until 2009. She has published hundreds of articles in periodicals such as Ladies Home Journal, Outside, and Wildlife Conservation. Mary has written extensively for the US Fish and Wildlife Service, US Forest Service, Colorado Division of Wildlife and Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. Many Coloradans know Mary from the quarterly publication Colorado's Wildlife Company. Mary writes from her home in Castle Rock, Colorado, where she lives with her husband, daughter, two dogs, and many wild neighbors.
**Sea Turtle Health & Rehabilitation**

Charles Manire, Terry Norton, Brian Stacy, Craig H...  

**Summary**

Sea Turtle Health & Rehabilitation is the first-ever comprehensive book on sea turtle husbandry, health, medicine, and surgery. This full-color guide presents extensive information for the rescue, evaluation, care, and rehabilitation of sick and injured sea turtles at every stage of life. In-depth information is provided on the physiological systems of sea turtles, causes and sources of illness and injury, diagnostic procedures, and medical and surgical treatments. This is an essential volume for veterinarians, veterinary students, veterinary technicians, rehabilitators, aquarists, biologists, and conservationists who work with sea turtles. The chapters in this well-organized book are written by leading experts in their respective fields and contain state-of-the-art information not found in any other single source. The contents range from the life history of sea turtles to the more detailed and complex issues related to the diagnosis and treatment of conditions that are frequently encountered in sea turtles. Also included are chapters on important subjects related to sea turtle heal...  

**Contributor Bio**

Dr. Charles Manire, DVM, is the Director of Research and Rehabilitation at the Loggerhead Marinelife Center (LMC) in Juno Beach Florida where he focuses strictly on sea turtle rescue, rehabilitation, care, and research. Prior to LMC, Dr. Manire helped design, build, and manage the sea turtle rehabilitation hospital at Mote Marine Laboratory in Sarasota, Florida where he also worked with dolphins, whales, manatees and fish. Dr. Manire has extensive experience in marine animal medicine and was the staff veterinarian at Atlantis Resort in the Bahamas where he was responsible for the veterinary care of more than 50,000 marine animals. He has authored or co-authored over 70 peer-reviewed articles on various marine species and has made scientific presentations at conferences around the world. He regularly reviews manuscripts for several professional journals and has served on multiple masters' and doctoral committees for graduate students at the University of Florida, Texas A&M University, and Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Terry Norton, DVM, DACZM, is the...  

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**A Naturalist's Guide to the Reptiles & Amphibians of Bali**

Ruchira Somaweera  

**Summary**

This easy-to-use identification guide to the 89 reptile and amphibian species of Bali is perfect for resident and visitor alike.  

High-quality photographs from the region’s top nature photographers, are accompanied by detailed species descriptions which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits, occurrence and whether they are dangerous. The user-friendly introduction covers conservation, how to deal with snake bites, identification of body parts and a glossary. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the reptiles of Bali encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific names.  

**Contributor Bio**

Dr Ruchira Somaweera is a postdoctoral research fellow at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) of Australia. His research work broadly focuses on the ecology and conservation of tropical reptiles, especially crocodilians and sea snakes. He is also a managing director of Aaranya Wilderness Odysseys that conducts specialized wildlife expeditions in Indonesia.
A Naturalist's Guide to the Reptiles of Australia
Chris Farrell, Peter Rowland

Summary
This easy-to-use identification guide to the 280 reptile species most commonly seen in Australia is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

High quality photographs from Australia’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers the threats to reptiles, types of habitat, anatomy of reptiles, and details of orders and families. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the reptiles of Australia encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, and its global IUCN status.

Contributor Bio
Chris Farrell is a nature and landscape photographer who has spent the last 32 years behind a camera capturing the natural world and enjoying the ride. Chris is an accredited fundraiser for the World Wide Fund for Nature Australia, and is a strong campaigner for the conservation of Australia's wildlife. Chris's images have been used to study the movements and population trends of endangered animals, including the Southern Right Whale.

Peter Rowland is a wildlife conservationist, educator and nature photographer, and worked at the Australian Natural History Museum for a period spanning 30 years. Peter has travelled extensively throughout Australia as a biodiversity consultant, and has written several books and scientific articles on Australia's wildlife. In 1999, Peter was the recipient of a Whitley Award from the Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales.

A Naturalist's Guide to the Reptiles of Sri Lanka
Kanishka Ukuwela, Anslem de Silva

Summary
This easy-to-use identification guide to the 150 reptile species most commonly seen in Sri Lanka is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

High-quality photographs from the authors are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include size, distribution, habits and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers fascinating information on folklore associated with reptiles, snake topography, how to deal with snake bites and a glossary. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the reptiles of Sri Lanka encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, and its IUCN status.

Contributor Bio
Kanishka Ukuwela is a Senior Lecturer in Zoology at the Rajarata University of Sri Lanka. He holds a BSc degree in Zoology (University of Peradeniya) and a PhD in evolutionary biology from the University of Adelaide, Australia. Kanishka has published many research papers on the reptiles and amphibians of Sri Lanka, and is also a member of the IUCN Amphibian and Sea Snake Specialist Groups.

Anslem de Silva MSc., DSc. (Hon Cau, University of Peradeniya), has written or contributed to 400 or so publications on various aspects of the herpetology of the country. He has received the President’s Award for Scientific Publications three times and has organized several national and international herpetological conferences. His honorary doctorate was awarded in recognition of his scientific contributions to and promotion of all aspects of the herpetology of Sri Lanka.
**Crocodiles of the World**

Colin Stevenson

**Summary**

What animal has the most powerful bite of any living creature? What animal has compounds within its blood that can combat diseases for which humans have no medicines? Which animal breathes air, but can stay submerged for hours at a time? The answer is of course the crocodilians – crocodiles, alligators and their cousins the caimans and the gharial. This book aims to be more than an introduction or overview of crocodiles: it will provide the reader with details only available previously in the scientific journals, specialist publications or much more technical books. The information is presented in clear language without the need for technical knowledge. The author has painstakingly ensured that the information is based on the most recent studies. The text is accompanied by photos that further illuminate the true nature of these incredible predators. Whether casually interested or deeply fascinated by crocodiles, your needs are met in this book.

**Contributor Bio**

Colin Stevenson's lifetime fascination with crocodiles began at the age of two. He is a member of the IUCN/SSC Crocodile Specialist Group (currently co-editing the fourth revision of its Action Plan for Crocodilians), as well as the IUCN Commission on Education and Communication. Heavily involved in dedicated Task Forces for endangered crocodilian species, he has worked with crocs in Australia, India, Brazil and the UK. He has authored many papers on crocodile conservation and behavior.

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**Elephant Dawn**

The Inspirational Story of Thirteen Years Living with Elephants in the African Wilderness

Sharon Pincott

**Summary**

In 2001, Sharon Pincott traded her privileged life as a high-flying corporate executive to start a new one with the Presidential Elephants of Zimbabwe. She was unpaid, untrained, self-funded, and arrived with the starry-eyed idealism of most foreigners during early encounters with Africa. For 13 years—the worst in Zimbabwe's volatile history—this intrepid Australian woman lived in the Hwange bush fighting for the lives of these elephants, forming an extraordinary and life-changing bond with them. Powerfully moving, sometimes disturbing, and often very funny, *Elephant Dawn* is a celebration of love, courage, and honor amongst our greatest land mammals. With resilience beyond measure, Sharon earns the supreme right to call them family.

**Contributor Bio**

Sharon Pincott traded her privileged life as a high flying corporate executive in 2001 to start a new life with the Presidential Elephants of Zimbabwe. For 13 years, this passionate wildlife conservationist formed remarkable relationships with the elephants. She is author of two highly acclaimed books published in South Africa.
The Fox Book
Russ Jane

Summary
The Fox Book, with its stunning photography and fascinating facts, is a must-have for all fox lovers. Featuring details of a fox’s life cycle and the differences between the rural and urban fox, the sections include the fox in art and literature, the fox in myth and legend, and the many types of fox found in nature.

Contributor Bio
Jane Russ is Chairman of the Hare Preservation Trust and is the author of The Hare Book.

Rhino Revolution
Searching for new solutions
Anton Walker, Clive Walker

Summary
The rhino war in South Africa has entered its 10th year, and last year saw 662 rhino killed in Kruger alone—and over 1,000 in total for South Africa. This book discusses corruption and the criminal justice system, the need for more community engagement, and the costs of protection. It also looks at how far we have come since the rhino wars in the 1980s and the rhino trade debate.

Rhino Revolution testifies to the excellent conservation work that is being undertaken by the state and the private sector in security, tourism, community involvement, and environmental education, as well as NGO support. The book includes magnificent photographs and afterwords by John Hanks and Yolan Friedmann.

Contributor Bio
Clive Walker founded the Endangered Wildlife Trust in 1973, and he co-founded the Rhino and Elephant Foundation and the African Rhino Owners Association, and served on the IUCN African Rhino Specialist Group for close on 14 years. Anton Walker grew up at Lapalala Wilderness where his parents Clive and Conita Walker assisted the late Dale Parker in the establishment of the reserve. Today he is the general manager of the 45,000 hectare sanctuary.
Blue Skies Guide to Borneo
David Bowden

Summary
A brand new, pocket-sized guidebook for the modern traveller with the added bonus of information about nature and wildlife, and where to find them.

In three parts, the first section describes the major highlights and the natural environment, with details on where and how to explore nature and the wildlife of the country. The second section looks at significant locations with information for each on cultural sites, interesting architecture, local food and customs, plants and animals, activities, and shopping opportunities. The final section contains all of the practical information needed both before and during a stay.

Blue Skies Travel Guides have everything you need to help you make the most of your trip whether for a family holiday, an activity trip, a birdwatching tour or a relaxing beach vacation.

Contributor Bio
David Bowden is a writer living in Malaysia, specializing in travel and the environment. While Australian, he's been living in Asia longer than he can remember, and returns to his home country as a tourist. When not travelling the world, he enjoys relaxing with his equally adventurous wife Maria and daughter Zoe.

All Animal Beings
Ken & Beck Drake

Summary
All Animal Beings have their own unique personalities, they share our emotions, they share our fears, and they share our love.

For many years we were taught that animals were mere automatons, driven purely by instinct. Even as a young child I could instinctively tell from our family dogs that this wasn’t the case, but only recently, in the last couple of decades, has science really caught up with what animal lovers have known for centuries and probably since the dawn of humanity.

We forget that our raw emotions of love, lust, hate, hunger, happiness, fear; are shared with each mammal and bird on the planet.

This book is filled with portraits of some of the most character filled Beings I have met and photographed.

Contributor Bio
Master Photographer Ken Drake and wife Beck established Zoo Studio in 2006, specialising in animal art photography.

Zoo Studio photographs only pets, capturing the bond between them and their owners. Zoo Studio’s signature style is in capturing the unique personalities of all the animals they photograph.

Ken Drake is a multi award-winning photographer and animal portraiture specialist. Ken’s understanding of animal manners, body language and knowing how to bring out the very best in his furry subjects, sets Zoo Studio apart.

Zoo Studio are also passionate about helping animals in need and have worked with many charities since Zoo Studio was born – they even launched the Zoo Studio Foundation so they could provide a greater focus on raising funds, using their photographic and business skills for charities that can’t necessarily do it all themselves.
Big Twitch

One Man, One Continent, a Race Against Time—A True Story about Birdwatching
Sean Dooley

Summary

As a self-proclaimed twitcher—a birdwatching extremist who travels around the country trying to catch a glimpse of as many species of birds as possible—the author took a year off in 2002 with the goal of seeing 700 birds and thereby breaking the national record for most birds seen in one year. In this amusing memoir, he recounts his quest, including how he spent all of his inheritance from the untimely death of his parents to make his dream a reality. Populated by unusual characters and interesting species of birds, this part confessional–part travelogue for both bird nerds and the general population follows the author as he works out what it means to be normal despite his unusually avid compulsion toward twitching.

Contributor Bio

Sean Dooley is a comedy writer for television. He has worked as a stand-up comedian and has performed a one-man show about birdwatching.

Aquarium Making- Fishkeeping & Maintenance

Mundy Obilor Jim

Summary

Fish-keeping has been advanced in recent decades with fancier and easier methods and even the breeding of fish for pets has improved greatly in terms of techniques. This book is for both experienced fish-keepers who have had aquariums for a considerable period of time and for new aquarium hobbyists alike. It is for those who want to build and set up their own aquariums and for those who wonder how they can dismantle the aquarium accessories and still be able to set up the aquarium to function appropriately. It also aims at teaching how to properly maintain an aquarium; feed the fish adequately, and know when they are sick or need attention and take good care of them. A lot has been learnt about different types of fish that can be nicely kept as pets in aquariums. We now want to keep beautiful fish like the goldfish, those with striking colours such as the zebra danios and even the odd-looking ones like the leaf-fish and longnose. We have come to know fish which can survive long in aquariums, types of environment that favour some particular fish, compatibility of fish, etc. The book will...

Contributor Bio

Mundy Obilor Jim has a passion for writing, editing and publishing. His published books are in the Technology, Nonfiction and Poetry genres. Mundy started writing from his time at high school through to University, which saw him as Editor of the faculty & Halls of Residence magazines with a potential audience of over thirty thousand people. His love for writing also transcends into songwriting and music production. Apart from writing, Mundy is a qualified Geophysicist & Project Manager with over 15 years’ experience. He also builds and maintains aquariums. Mundy lives in Norway and is married with two children.
**British Wildlife Photography Awards**

**Collection 8**

Maggie Gowan

**Summary**

This dazzling collection showcases the very best of the British Wildlife Photography Awards, presenting over 150 of the winning, commended and shortlisted images from the 2017 competition. Featuring a range of photography from world-leading professionals as well as inspired amateurs, it is a book that captures the magnificent diversity of the British Isles. Now in its eighth year, the annual competition has a long tradition of supporting conservation. It provides a platform for the finest examples of British nature photography, revealing its wonders to a wide audience and engaging with all ages through its evocative and powerful imagery. With a £20,000 prize from lead sponsor Canon, it is one of the most prestigious photography competitions, attracting major sponsors and culminating in an exhibition at London’s Mall Gallery. *British Wildlife Photography Awards 8* is divided into the competition’s fifteen categories, from Animal Portraits through to the Young People’s Awards. Every photograph is beautifully reproduced in a large format, with detailed technical information alongside the...

**Contributor Bio**

Maggie Gowan is director of the British Wildlife Photography Awards.

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**Birds in Pictures**

Markus Varesvuo

**Summary**

Bird photographer extraordinaire Markus Varesvuo presents perhaps his finest ever collection of images in this remarkable volume.

From piratical skuas in Shetland to dancing cranes in Japan, each photograph is technically outstanding, while Markus also imparts evocative stories of encounters with his subjects, enabling the reader to comprehend fully each moment captured on camera.

**Contributor Bio**

After 20 years in the business world, Markus Varesvuo turned his lifelong hobby of birdwatching and photography into full-time professional wildlife photography in 2005. His work is exclusively about birds, concentrating on the Western Palearctic species.

The reason for narrowing the focus to Europe’s birds from the birds of the world is simple – no one lifetime is enough to capture the true essence of all the species. And that is what Markus wants to do; to dig ever deeper into the world of these winged creatures, by means of photography.
**Parrots of the World**

Steve Brookes

Parrots have always captured the imagination of humans. This beautifully illustrated book on the world’s parrots explores all aspects of their lives, as well as the threats facing them. It showcases beautiful photography from around the world and has a chapter on each parrot family, from the huge mac...

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The introduction includes sections on feeding, courtship, breeding and adaptations. There is a chapter on each parrot family, from the huge macaws and cockatoos to the diminutive hangingparrots and parrotlets, and including everything from the familiar budgerigar, which is known as a popular family pet around the world, to those species and families with special features, such as the Kea, Burrowing Parrot and Night Parrot. Closing chapters look at parrots and humans (banding, the pet trade, etc), threats and conservation and gives a comprehensive checklist of Parrot species and subspecies.

In short this will be the best a...

**Contributor Bio**

Steve Brookes’s interest in parrots goes back more than 30 years, and for the past 17 years he has devoted much of his time to tracking down and photographing as many wild species as possible.

In the process he has organized birdwatching and photography tours to destinations around the world in order...

**Wildlife In Pictures**

Craig Hayman

**Summary**

Author Craig Hayman had the rare opportunity of living and working in some of Africa’s most spectacular wilderness areas for several years. During his time as a wildlife photographic safari guide he was able to capture many dramatic and intimate moments in photographs, including stunning images of elephants, lions, leopards, crocodiles and many other inspiring creatures.

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Photographer and author Craig Hayman grew up in South Africa, raised in a family that revered the natural world. After completing postgraduate studies in architecture at the University of Cape Town, he returned to the soil to train as a wildlife photographic safari guide. After three years as a safari guide, Hayman began training new guides and exploring for ecotourism potential in Gabon, equatorial west Africa. Hayman has travelled extensively through 6 continents, and now lives in Sydney, Australia.

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**Diving With Sharks**

Nigel Marsh, Andy Murch

**Summary**

The prospect of amazing encounters with Great Whites, Tiger Sharks, Whale Sharks, Hammerheads and many other shark species mean that each year more and more divers are heading underwater to swim with these magnificent and misunderstood predators at hot-spots all over the world, from Australia, South Africa, the USA and Mexico, to Fiji, the Red Sea, the UK and the Bahamas.

This book is a complete guide for divers seeking sharks, and for everyone interested in these incredible creatures. It includes an in-depth introduction followed by comprehensive coverage of all the shark families and species that could be encountered, including many of the lesser-known sharks, with details of biology, behaviour and where to find them. There is also a listing of the best shark diving hot-spots from around the world.

With more than 500 known species of sharks, and more being discovered every year, Diving With Sharks is the ultimate guide book for anyone wanting to learn more about these incredible creatures of the deep and also where to see them, up close and personal.

**Contributor Bio**

Nigel Marsh is an Australian underwater photographer and photojournalist whose work has been published in numerous magazines, newspapers and books all around the world.

Nigel has dived extensively around Australia, and also throughout Asia, the Pacific Ocean, the Indian Ocean and the Caribbean.

His underwater photographs have won a number of international photographic awards.

Andy Murch is a fanatical big-animal diver based in Vancouver, Canada. He has dived with more sharks than most people on the planet and he’s a renowned shark-photographer.

His images and shark stories have appeared in hundreds of publications, ranging from National Geographic to...
The Guide to Colorado Mammals
Mary Taylor Young

Outdoor enthusiasts and armchair naturalists will be delighted with the photos and readable text about Colorado's mammals.

Summary
A guidebook for a general audience describing approximately 126 species of mammals native to Colorado. Each mammal is described within a Species Account, including common and scientific name, physical description, size, habitat, distribution, field notes, legal status, and photographs. Includes sidebars highlighting interesting information about mammal biology, life history, and behavior. The book includes a glossary, index, and checklists.

Contributor Bio
Award-winning nature writer Mary Taylor Young spent her childhood summers roaming the Colorado Rockies from her grandparents' cabin in Estes Park. Her love of wild things and the outdoors led to a degree in zoology from Colorado State University and a life devoted to nature and the environment. Her nine books range from Land of Grass and Sky: A Naturalist's Prairie Journey, a story of spiritual growth inspired by the landscape of the High Plains, to the Watchable Birds book series. Mary's Words on Birds column appeared in the Rocky Mountain News from 1993 until 2009. She has published hundreds of articles in periodicals such as Ladies Home Journal, Outside, and Wildlife Conservation. Mary has written extensively for the US Fish and Wildlife Service, US Forest Service, Colorado Division of Wildlife and Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. Many Coloradans know Mary from the quarterly publication Colorado's Wildlife Company. Mary writes from her home in Castle Rock, Colorado, where she lives with her husband, daughter, two dogs, and many wild neighbors.

Sedimentary Structures (4th Edition)
John Collinson, Nigel Mountney

Completely revised new edition, in colour for the first time, of an established textbook in sedimentology.

Summary
Now enhanced with colour photographs and illustrations, this thoroughly revised fourth edition of Sedimentary Structures enhances its status as a major textbook in geology. Since its first publication in 1982, Sedimentary Structures has established and maintained itself as a pre-eminent resource that sets out a clear methodology and philosophy for understanding present-day sediments and sedimentary rocks as the product of dynamic processes. The fourth edition of this classic textbook introduces erosional, depositional and post-depositional sedimentary processes in an easily accessible way. It shows how sedimentary structures can be interpreted, across a wide range of scales, in terms of those processes.

Sedimentary structures produced by erosion, deposition and post-depositional change are all clearly explained and related to the processes that formed them. Hydrodynamic and aerodynamic controls on the development of subaqueous and aeolian bedforms are discussed, as are the styles of deformation to which sediments can be subjected after deposition. Structures that characterize depositio...

Contributor Bio
John Collinson, formerly Professor of Sedimentology at the University of Bergen, Norway, and until recently ran his own geological consultancy. Nigel Mountney is Professor of Sedimentology in the School of Earth and Environment at the University of Leeds where he is the Director of the Fluvial & Eolian Research Group; additionally, he is a former Chief Editor of Sedimentology, a leading academic journal.
The Ocean Book
How endangered are our seas?
Esther Gonstalla

Summary
The Ocean Book is full of easy-to-read, beautiful infographics that present the key issues facing our oceans. Rising sea levels, growing rubbish patches, and overfishing are putting our oceans in grave danger. Though we love our oceans, we must learn to cherish them. This book will help readers realize how we cause the problems and how we can solve them.

Contributor Bio
Esther Gonstalla, award-winning designer of The Atom Book, is much in demand for her use of infographics to make facts beautiful. She counts National Geographic among her many clients.

Meant to Be Wild
The Struggle to Save Endangered Species through Captive Breeding
Jan DeBlieu

Summary
Jan DeBlieu's landmark work on captive breeding is a riveting analysis of one of the most controversial issues of our time.

Contributor Bio
Jan DeBlieu first became interested in ecology and conservation while attending the University of Delaware. During the past 20 years, her articles have appeared in newspapers and magazines across the country. In the course of her work she has traveled extensively across North America and has spent time with wildlife biologist in the United States, Central America, and the Caribbean.
The Beavers of Popple's Pond
Sketches from the Life of an Honorary Rodent
Patti Smith

Summary
Tucked away in a remote stream valley in Vermont, a dynasty of beavers has nearly completed the restoration of the meadows and ponds that adorned this stream in the days before the beavers of a continent were turned into top hats. Willow, Popple, and their progeny begin the night's work of dam repair, scent marking, tree felling until a soft call alerts them to the arrival of the strange honorary member of their clan, this book's author, Patti Smith. They scramble ashore and poke eagerly about her feet as she prepares to picnic and to record the events that transpire on the shores of Popple's Pond. Through the seasons, and through the years, these records-transformed into interwoven vignettes-invite the reader to enter the world of the beavers and the other inhabitants of the wetlands. Meet Terrible Jack the lonely moose, Henri the civilized goose, and the myriad small creatures that populate the night forest. The author, a native of this landscape, brings a naturalist's eye and a compassionate voice to these stories. After three years with the beavers, readers are invited to ac...

Contributor Bio
Patti Smith is a naturalist at the Bonnyvale Environmental Education Center (BEEC) in Brattleboro, Vermont, where she writes and teaches about natural history. She lives in the foothills of Vermont's Green Mountains.

The Secret Life of Whales
A Marine Biologist Reveals All
Micheline Jenner

Summary
Marine biologist Micheline Jenner discovered humpback breeding grounds off the Kimberley coast, has swum through orange golfball-sized pygmy blue whale poo to uncover a feeding spot, and is one of very few people to witness a humpback whale giving birth. In The Secret Life of Whales she reveals the unknown world of these giants of the deep and shares insights from her work with humpback, blue and pygmy blue whales.

Contributor Bio
Micheline Jenner is a marine biologist and co-founder of the Centre for Whale Research (Western Australia) Inc., an organization whose research is represented in more than 50 peer-reviewed scientific papers. She has studied humpback and blue whales and conducted biodiversity and cetacean (whale, dolphin and porpoise) observation surveys since 1990. With her husband Curt, in 2010 Micheline received a Lowell Thomas Award from the Explorers Club for their work protecting blue whales in the Perth Canyon, Western Australia.
Tuatara

Biology and Conservation of a Venerable Survivor
Alison Cree

Summary
Pick up virtually any textbook on vertebrate evolution and you will find mention of the curious reptile known as tuatara (Sphenodon). The special evolutionary status of tuatara as the last of the rhynchocephalians—one of the four orders of living reptiles—is unquestioned. Wild members of the sole living species are now restricted to a few dozen remote islands around the New Zealand coast, where for several centuries they have been observed and studied by humans. But are tuatara really unchanged “living fossils,” or close relatives of dinosaurs, as sometimes portrayed? This is the first detailed monograph in decades about this enigmatic reptile, and the first to be illustrated in color throughout. The evolution, natural history, and conservation of tuatara are covered in comprehensive detail, providing a valuable resource for the specialist yet in a style accessible to a wide readership. The special place of tuatara in Maori and popular culture is also considered. Tuatara have survived alongside humans for more than 700 years, though with their numbers much reduced: what are their fut...

Contributor Bio
Alison Cree is an associate professor of zoology at the University of Otago in Dunedin, New Zealand. For nearly 30 years she has researched the biology of the tuatara—a distinctive New Zealand reptile—and contributed to its conservation management. An author of more than 100 scientific publications, she has also studied the biology of New Zealand lizards and frogs.

Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne

Increasingly the segmentation between birders, butterfly watchers, dragonfly watchers and photographers is reducing as interests overlap and there is a demand for books that cover the three popular groups of birds, butterflies and dragonflies. Having written and photographed the guide to the birds of Sri Lanka in the series, Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne has produced a single, compact and portable photographic guide to the butterflies and dragonflies of the country. The emphasis in the 280 species featured is on the commoner species, covering around 90 per cent of the species that a visitor is likely to see. It is also an excellent book for residents to learn about the commoner butterflies and dragonflies before progressing to more advanced technical books.

The guide is focused on field use to help beginners and experts identify species and provides information on their distribution and habitats. As identification of butterflies and dragonflies require a different approach, the two sections are done as two mini photographic field guides with common introductory sections to wildlife watc...

Contributor Bio
Gehan de Silva Wijeyeratne is one of Sri Lanka's most high profile wildlife personalities. Gehan graduated in Civil Engineering from the Imperial College of Science, Technology & Medicine. He went on to qualify as a Chartered Accountant in London and become a risk management specialist in banking. He is passionate about Sri Lanka's natural history and has authored and photographed over 300 articles for national and international newspapers and magazines on Sri Lankan biodiversity, travel and bus
**A Naturalist's Guide to the Butterflies of GB & Northern Europe**

Ted Benton

**Summary**

This easy-to-use, fully comprehensive identification guide to the 159 butterflies found in Britain, Ireland, Scandinavia, Belgium, Netherlands and the Baltics is perfect for amateur naturalists. High-quality photographs are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include common and scientific name, wingspan, distribution and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers living with butterflies, anatomy, behaviour, enemies and friends, ecology, distribution and conservation.

Ted Benton is professor emeritus in Sociology at the University of Essex, UK.

His academic work has focused on integrating environmental issues into social scientific theory, and he is a long-time environmental activist. Since childhood he has been a field-naturalist, with a strong interest in insects. He has travelled throughout Europe over the past 35 years studying and photographing butterflies in their natural habitats. In addition to his academic publications he has authored or co-authored seven books on natural history, including two award-winning volumes in the New Naturalist series (Bumblebees ...)

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**A Naturalist's Guide to the Mammals of India**

Bikram Grewal

**Summary**

This easy-to-use identification guide to the 280 mammal species most commonly seen in India is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

High quality photographs from India’s top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions, which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers geography and climate, vegetation, opportunities for naturalists and the main sites for viewing the listed species. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the mammals of India encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name, its status in the country as well as its global IUCN status.

**Contributor Bio**

Bikram Grewal grew up in the dense evergreen forests of India’s north-east where he first developed his love for birds. He gave up his full-time publishing career to devote his time to the conservation of Indian wildlife, especially working on rare birds. He is the author of over ten books on birds of the subcontinent and also acts as a consultant on eco-tourism to several Indian states. He helped conceive the ‘birdsofindia’ website, which is now the biggest birding site in India and is ranked amongst the top ten birding sites in the world. He is a trustee of the Wildlife Preservation Society of India (WPSI). He was awarded the Lifetime Award for spreading awareness about birds and conservation in India.
**Roba, A: Africa and Her Animals**
Anteneh Roba

**A Naturalist's Guide to the Birds of India**
Bikram Grewal, Garima Bhatia

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This easy-to-use identification guide to the 280 bird species most commonly seen in India is perfect for resident and visitor alike.

High quality photographs from one of India's top nature photographers are accompanied by detailed species descriptions which include nomenclature, size, distribution, habits and habitat. The user-friendly introduction covers geography and climate, vegetation, opportunities for naturalists and the main sites for viewing the listed species. Also included is an all-important checklist of all of the birds of India encompassing, for each species, its common and scientific name as well as its vernacular name, its status in each state as well as its global IUCN status as at 2013.

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Dr Garima Bhatia worked for a decade in automotive research before devoting her time to her passion for birdwatching. She has travelled extensively watching and photographing birds all over the Indian subcontinent, and her bird photographs have appeared in a number of international publications. She is also passionate about generating awareness about the environment. Born and brought u...
**Freshwater Gamefish of North America Eighteen Card Set**  
Joseph R. Tomelleri

**Summary**  
Featuring an array of the most popular freshwater gamefish of the United States and Canada, this exquisitely reproduced 18-card collection is an ideal set for a passionate angler. Illustrated in magnificent detail and based on photography from more than 20 years of traveling and fly-fishing the continent, each elegantly printed set contains six distinct freshwater gamefish. From the largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, walleye, northern pike, yellow perch, and muskellunge, this attractive assortment—complete with a handsome box and envelopes—is the perfect gift for any fishing aficionado.

**Contributor Bio**  
*Joseph R. Tomelleri* is an illustrator whose work has appeared in *About Trout, Cutthroat: Native Trout of the West, Fishes of Alabama*, and *Trout and Salmon of North America*. His work is featured in the *Trout of North America Eighteen Card Set* and the *Trout of North America Poster*. He lives in Leawood, Kansas.

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**Freshwater Gamefish of North America Poster**  
Joseph R. Tomelleri

**Summary**  
Composed of the finest illustrations of freshwater gamefish found in the United States and Canada, this attractive assortment of 34 unique fish is ideal for anglers. Scientifically precise and stunningly beautiful, the fish—shown in relative scale and arranged by family—have been reproduced at the highest fidelity to capture the accuracy and splendor of the original artwork. With the inclusion of the top gamefish—bass, sunfish, pike, trout, catfish, and beyond—this premium poster is the perfect gift for fishermen who wish to identify their catch and appreciate the beauty of native North American freshwater quarry.

**Contributor Bio**  
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Sunfishes of North America
Joseph R. Tomelleri

Summary
Accurately illustrated to capture the intricate detail of 15 different types of sunfishes, this essential collection of “sunnies” is artfully presented on one charming poster. Featuring stunningly beautiful reproductions, these ordinary North American fishes are arranged by relative scale and include both the common and scientific names. A favorite among fishermen for their tenacious and catchable nature and for the nostalgia associated with what many remember as their first fish, this celebration of America’s best-loved fishes is ideal for identification and will enhance any angler’s art collection.

Contributor Bio
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Trout of North America Poster
Joseph R. Tomelleri

Summary
Masterfully illustrated and designed to capture the intricate details of 34 species of trout found in American waters, this essential collection of elite angler quarry are dutifully presented on one delightful poster. With faithful attention to detail and accuracy and representative in relative scale, each fish—from the tiny golden trout to the massive steelhead—is painstakingly replicated at 40 percent of average size. Reflective of the immense popularity of fishing among avid anglers throughout America and the world, and essential as a reference for easy identification of each distinct species, this colorful and fastidiously accurate poster—by the foremost authority on trout illustration in the country—is a truly remarkable addition to any fisherman’s functional art collection.

Contributor Bio
Joseph R. Tomelleri is an illustrator whose work has appeared in About Trout, Cutthroat: Native Trout of the West, Fishes of Alabama, and Trout and Salmon of North America. His work is featured in the Trout of North America Eighteen Card Set and the Trout of North America Poster. He lives in Leawood, Kansas.
Fly Fishing for Striped Bass
Rich Murphy

Summary
The average angler can enjoy the sport of fly fishing for the rebounding populations of striped bass as they migrate from the Carolinas to Maine with this practical guide to tackle, casting and retrieving techniques, stripper behavior and biology, and habitat-specific fishing tactics. Remarkable close-up and underwater photos of the bass in their natural marine environments, spectacular satellite photos of the coastal waters of New England, and photographs of 33 original fly designs round out the presentation.

Contributor Bio
Rich Murphy is a hydraulic engineer and a featured speaker at fly-fishing clubs on the East Coast. He lives in Georgetown, Massachusetts.

Trout in the Desert
On Fly Fishing, Human Habits, and the Cold Waters of the Arid Southwest
Matthew Dickerson

Summary
Matthew Dickerson takes his readers from tiny mountain streams in the southern Rockies of New Mexico to the mighty Colorado River at the head of the Grand Canyon, to the Hill Country of Texas, exploring these various waters that manage to hold cold-loving trout in the midst of the hot desert landscapes of the American southwest. This lovingly described journey brings us through Dickerson’s own life of discovery and his love of fly fishing, trout, and the rivers where trout live. Though neither an historical nor a scientific text, the writing is informed by both. The book is illustrated by original prints from Texas artist Barbara Whitehead.

Contributor Bio
Matthew T. Dickerson is an author, a professor at Middlebury College in Vermont, a scholar of the writings of J. R. R. Tolkien and C. S. Lewis, and an environmental journalist and outdoor writer. Dickerson’s first novel, The Finnsburg Encounter, was followed by a sequel, The Rood and the Torc: The Song of Kristinge, Son of Finn. From 2002 through 2014, Dickerson directed the New England Young Writers Conference.
Reef Fishes of the Indo-Pacific
Matthias Bergbauer, Manuela Kirschner

Summary
The Indo-Pacific region is the dream destination for all SCUBA divers and snorkellers. The coral reefs in this region are bursting with marine life and are home to more animal species than any other diving spot in the world – more than 40 per cent of all coral reef fishes known worldwide. Added to this, the waters are crystal-clear, giving the best chance of viewing the underwater stars.

Top-quality, close-up photographs of each species (in some cases including juvenile or sub-adult variants) are accompanied by detailed information listing identifying features, size, biology and distribution. The introductory section focuses on specific types of behaviour, such as mimicry, cleaning stations and the symbiotic relationships between various species. The species descriptions that follow are grouped in three chapters on fishes, invertebrates, and reptiles and sea mammals. Covering Mauritius, Seychelles, the Maldives, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, the Philippines, Australia, Micronesia, Melanesia and Polynesia and describing over 800 species, this book is an invaluable identifica...

Contributor Bio
Matthias Bergbauer is a very experienced diver with extensive first-hand knowledge of the underwater world of the Indo-Pacific region. Manuela Kirschner is a very experienced diver with extensive first-hand knowledge of the underwater world of the Indo-Pacific region.

Largemouth Bass Aquaculture
James Tidwell

Summary
The farming of largemouth bass is becoming increasingly important and international as the procedures and management for successful culture are being refined. Largemouth bass aquaculture is now widespread across the USA and increasingly in other countries worldwide. This book provides comprehensive coverage of all aspects of the farming of largemouth bass, including: their history; production; environment requirements; reproduction; culture methods; diseases; and major markets. The book is fully international in scope, drawing information from all major countries where largemouth bass are farmed.

Contributor Bio
James H. Tidwell is Professor and Chair of the Division of Aquaculture and Distinguished Professor at Kentucky State University. He has served as President of both the U.S. Aquaculture Society and the World Aquaculture Society. Honors include the AquaNet Distinguished Lectureship from the Aquaculture Research Centers of Canada, Distinguished Nutritionist from the Distillers Feed Research Council, and Alumnus of the Year for the College of Forest Resources at Mississippi State University.
**Understanding Aquaculture**

Jesse Trushenski

**Summary**

Roughly half the seafood we eat comes from farms, and yet many consumers remain hesitant, even resistant to buying farmed fish. Aquaculture is compared with both terrestrial agriculture and capture fisheries and has endured considerable, often unfounded, criticism. *Understanding Aquaculture* addresses the controversial aspects of aquaculture, answering common questions about the industry and farmed seafood. Are farmed fish safe to eat? Are wild fish more nutritious? Do fish farms pollute the environment? *Understanding Aquaculture* sets the record straight for the world’s most important source of seafood.

Aquaculture is critical to food security, both now and in the future, and an informed and supportive public is needed to ensure its potential is fully realized. Informative and engaging, this book is a thoroughly researched resource for students and practitioners, but manages to put the facts within reach of casual readers.

**Contributor Bio**

Dr. Jesse Trushenski is the Director of Science for Riverence and its sister company, Evaqua Farms. Before joining the private sector, Jesse pursued her interest in aquaculture in academia and later with a state natural resource agency.

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**Wanaka**

Lake, Mountain, Adventure

Neville Peat

**Summary**

Neville Peat describes the scenic splendour of Wanaka and the myriad activities and attractions for visitors in this updated edition of a book that serves as both a guide to one of New Zealand’s tourism hotspots, and as a souvenir. The book covers the history of the Wanaka area and its progress into a contemporary centre renowned for an exciting range of outdoor activities and regular events, including the internationally recognized Warbirds Over Wanaka air show. Further material offers a guide to local walking and cycling tracks, local flora and fauna, and Mt Aspiring National Park.

**Contributor Bio**

Neville Peat, a Dunedin writer and photographer, is the author of over 30 books covering themes of geography, biography, history and the natural environment. In 2007 he was awarded New Zealand’s largest literary prize, the Creative New Zealand Michael King Writers’ Fellowship, for a book about the Tasman Sea. In the 2018 New Year Honours he was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit (MNZM) for services to conservation.
Four Counties & the Welsh Canals No. 4
Collins Maps

Summary
The number 1 choice for all users of the inland waterways. This established, popular and practical guide covers the canals and waterways in Wales and to the south of Liverpool.

Covered in this guide are: Caldon Canal, Llangollen Canal, Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal, Neath & Tennant and Swansea Canals, Montgomery Canal, Shropshire Union Canal, Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal, Trent & Mersey Canal, River Weaver.

The detailed Ordnance Survey maps clearly show the location of essential features such as locks, towpaths and boating facilities, as well as pubs, shops and restaurants in the area. There are comprehensive navigational notes and descriptive text on the history of each canal, and on local services and places of interest, for which postcodes are included ideal for use with sat-navs.

This practical A5 guide features 'lie flat' spiral binding and 'book mark' back cover flap for ease of reference.

In print for over 40 years, the Collins/Nicholson guides to the waterways have always been a vital part of journeys along Britain’s canals and rivers. These bestselling guides are designed...

Contributor Bio
Explore the world through accurate and up-to-date mapping.

Wild Ocean
Sharks, Whales, Rays, and Other Endangered Sea Creatures
Matt Dembicki

The first graphic anthology about endangered sea creatures.

Summary
The world’s oceans represent the last wild frontier on Earth. In this graphic novel collection, Matt Dembicki, editor and artist of the award-winning Trickster, pulls together stories of twelve iconic endangered sea animals. Produced in cooperation with the non-profit PangeaSeed, these compelling scientific vignettes also educate and foster a passion to conserve the oceans' resources.

Contributor Bio
Matt Dembicki previously edited and contributed to the Eisner-nominated and Aesop Prize-winning Trickster: Native American Tales: A Graphic Collection. He also served at the helm of District Comics: An Unconventional History of Washington, D.C., an Harvey Award-nominated anthology that was named as one of the best books of 2012 by the Washington Post.
The Salmon Stop Running
Timothy Smith

Buck Wilder books are fun filled books for kids if all ages with stories and information about nature and how we are connected to it. Turn off that screen and go outside, and see how you are connected to all of it. Buck Wilder books are great for a long car trip. The illustrations and stories are ha...

Summary
Buck Wilder has ten books about nature and how we are connected to everything around us. His four hard covers books, Buck Wilder's Fishing Guide, Hiking & Camping Guide, Boating Guide and Animal Wisdom are for kids of all ages. Each is filled with fun facts and interesting highlights of nature, wild imaginative drawings, and secret hidden characters on each page.

Contributor Bio
Tim Smith considers himself to be an average, regular guy. He is 6'4", 220 pounds, and basically wears the same clothes and shoes he wore 20 years ago. He believes you don't always have to be the best to accomplish something; you just have to do it. He believes you can accomplish a lot in your life. His philosophy is not to be afraid to use erasers because it is okay to make mistakes even if someone laughs at you. He believes you should just get out there and try it! Life is a lot longer than you think and life is a lot shorter than you think.

For the last twenty years BUCK WILDER, alias Tim Smith, has been writing children’s stories and has been giving fun motivational presentations about how much you can do with your life and how to attain average results with the tools that are given to you. He was born in 1945, married, and father of three children. Tim graduated with a degree in microbiology, served in the US Army, worked in the pharmaceutical business for ten years and has worked and owned numerous retail businesses. Tim loves to cook, loves to

The Girl Who Really Really Really Loves Dinosaurs
John Hamilton

Summary
Lara loves dinosaurs. No—Lara is mad about dinosaurs. And she really really really wants one of her own. She goes looking for her very own dinosaur at the Museum, and while things don’t work out quite how she expected, she discovers that she really didn’t have to go so far from her own home after all.

Contributor Bio
John Hamilton is an artist whose work has been exhibited widely across the US and UK.
Baby Shark . . . The Big Adventure
Rick Incrocci, Donald Kasen, David Van Hooser

Summary
In *Baby Shark . . . The Big Adventure*, Baby Shark and Sissy Shark are approached by a Giant Squid who says he has heard them sing and dance and wants to make them famous. The two young sharks are betrayed by the squid and held in sunken ship along with a group of fish. Eventually Baby Shark is able to escape and save the whole group. The lesson to be learned from the book is one of not being taken in by strangers making promises.

Contributor Bio
**Rick Incrocci** is a free-lance illustrator specializing in children's books. Over the last 35 years he has illustrated over one hundred books for kids.

**Donald Kasen** is a writer and composer of numerous educational and fantasy songs and stories for Peter Pan Industries and Inspired Studios. Over the past 45 years he has written numerous best selling children's songs and stories.

**David Van Hooser** is a free-lance writer of children's books. He has been a contributor to many Inspired Studios books.

The Walking Fish
Kopel Burk, Rachelle Burk

Summary
**Winner of:**
National Science Teachers Association/Children's Book Council, Outstanding Science Trade Book Award

A humorous, exciting tale of an ordinary girl who makes an extraordinary scientific discovery—a blind fish that walks

When seventh-grader Alexis catches an unusual fish that looks like a living fossil, she sets off a frenzied scientific hunt for more of its kind. Alexis and her friend Darshan join the hunt, snorkeling, sounding the depths of Glacial Lake, even observing from a helicopter and exploring a cave. All the while, they fight to keep the selfish Dr. Mertz from claiming the discovery all for himself. When Alexis follows one final hunch, she risks her life and almost loses her friend. *Walking Fish* is a scientific adventure that provides a perfect combination of literacy and science.

Contributor Bio
**Kopel Burk** is a retired New Jersey physician who writes, sculpts, and travels in his spare time. He conceived the idea for *Walking Fish* more than 40 years ago, when he told early versions of the story to his family. He lives in Millburn, New Jersey. **Rachelle Burk** writes fiction, nonfiction, and poetry for children. She is the author of *Don't Turn the Page* and *Tree House in a Storm* and has written for national children's publications including *Highlights Magazine*, *Kidsville News*, and *Scholastic Science World*. She lives in New Brunswick, New Jersey.
Baby Sharks LOVE Pop Music!
Amber Lily, Carrie Hennon

Summary
What do baby sharks love? Do they eat hamburgers and sing pop songs? Do they dream about cupcakes? Do baby sharks love to play in the park?

Lift the flaps to create a story with this interactive board book where the reader determines the plot! Choose from fifteen lift-the-flaps to create a funny story and decide what happens next. Baby Sharks LOVE Pop Music! encourages imaginative play as the reader crafts their own story, again and again.

Contributor Bio
New author Amber Lily added her charming, child-friendly voice to the world of children's publishing during an internship. Amber loves onomatopoeia, has an ear for rhyme and freely admits to sniffing the occasional book. Carrie Hennon has worked as a graphic designer, illustrator, and art editor for the past eighteen years. Carrie is passionate about children's book illustration and is continually inspired by her daily contact with the artists she commissions. She has also written her own books for the very young.

Sepia and the Big Ocean
Suzanne Timbers

Summary
Sepia the cuttlefish loves to play hide-and-seek in the colorful atoll where she lives. But when a strong current drags her out into the open ocean, she—and her frightened stowaway seahorse—must try to find their way home. Lost and afraid, she and her seahorse companion use their wits to outsmart scary sharks and figure out a way home with help from the sea creatures they meet. Full of wonderfully painted sea animals and supplemented by a page of facts about cuttlefish, this is a stunning book that young ocean lovers will pore over.

Contributor Bio
SUSANNE TIMBERS is a graphic designer who trained at the School of Design in Basel, Switzerland. She followed this up with further training as a scientific draftsman at the School of Design in Bern and Biel. This is her first book with minedition.
**Who Saw Turtle?**
Ros Moriarty, Balarinji

**Summary**
Who saw Turtle? Did the whale with the slapping, splashing tail? Or the octopus with the dangly, stretchy tentacles? Maybe the fish with the glittery, shimmering scales?

A glorious exploration of the amazing migration of Turtle as she travels the world and then returns home to lay her eggs, illustrated by Balarinji, Australia's leading Indigenous design studio.

**Contributor Bio**
Ros Moriarty is a former journalist with Radio Australia in indigenous affairs, women's issues, and the environment; the founder of a nonprofit organization supporting preliteracy education; and the designer and managing director of Balarinji Studio, Australia's leading indigenous art and design group. Her previous picture books include Kangaroos Hop, Summer Rain, and Ten Scared Fish.

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**Zzzookeeper**
John Hutton, Doug Cenko

**Summary**
After the zookeeper goes to bed for the night, her animals decide it's the perfect time for a party! Lions and alligators, penguins and giraffes, creatures from all habitats sneak out for some late-night mischief. But when the party starts to get a little too wild, will the animals be caught in their tracks? Bouncy, rhyming, and filled with silly animal fun, Zzzookeeper is sure to become a new bedtime favorite.

**Contributor Bio**
Dr. John Hutton is a pediatrician, early literacy researcher, and author from Cincinnati, OH. He is passionate about connecting children with nature to promote health and imagination. Doug Cenko is an author and illustrator living in Chicago, IL. He has worked at an animation studio, a live special effects company and design agencies, but illustration is what he truly loves to do.
**Shouty Arthur**
Angie Morgan

**Summary**
"We haven’t seen any wildlife yet, Edith!" shouted Arthur.
"That’s because you’re too shouty," said Edith. "You promised to be quiet."
"Being quiet is very hard," said Arthur.

Shouty Arthur is the LOUDEST and MOST SHOUTIEST boy alive. He wants to go wildlife watching with his sister Edith but he can’t understand why the animals are nowhere to be seen. This hilarious, energetic and quirky book is the first in a series that will have parents and children alike laughing from start to finish.

**Contributor Bio**
Angie Morgan is a picture book author and illustrator. Her work includes *Daisy's Big Dig*.

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**Zookeeper for a Day**
Rebecca Johnson, Kyla May

**Summary**
Juliet and Chelsea head to the zoo to learn about the animals and assist the staff

I've won a competition to be a zookeeper for a day! My best friend Chelsea is coming, too. I can't wait to learn all about the zoo animals. There will be meerkats, tigers, and penguins to feed. And maybe some zoo vets who need some help (I must remember my vet-kit!). Most exciting of all, there's a baby elephant due to be born!

**Contributor Bio**
Rebecca Johnson is an author and teacher. Her previous books include the Steve Parish Story Book series and The Insect Series. Juliet, Nearly a Vet is her first fiction series. Kyla May is the creative director of a team of illustrators, writers, designers, and producers under the banner Kyla May Productions. She has illustrated several other children's books, including *Star Girl* and *The Dog Rules*. 
**Peculiar Zoo**

Barry Louis Polisar, David Clark

**Summary**
Written entirely in verse and filled with intriguing facts about an extraordinary array of uncommon animals, this collection of poems and illustrations introduce children to some of the oddest creatures in the animal kingdom, including many rare and endangered species. Young readers will discover the Numbat, who has more teeth than any other animal, but swallows his food whole; the Proboscis Monkey with its long nose that it must move out of the way in order to eat; and the Naked Mole Rat, who is pictured stretched out on a divan, shielding herself with feathers. The poems in this book were featured on Barbara Bush's national radio show on *ABC, Mrs. Bush's Story Time*.

**Contributor Bio**
Barry Louis Polisar is a children’s recording artist. He lives in Silver Spring, Maryland.

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**If Picasso Went to the Zoo**

An illustrated introduction to art history for children by art teachers

Eric Gibbons

**Summary**
Each page of this educational children’s book contains a beautiful animal-themed art piece created by one of 50 art teachers from all over the world who have all chosen a famous artist to emulate. A great tool for intercurricular teaching, this book combines art history, zoology, and poetry that is informative and entertaining. Also included are leaf icons placed under each picture to indicate whether the animal is thriving, threatened, endangered, critically endangered, extinct, or a hybrid animal not found in nature. The art and poetry will educate children about the rich traditions of art history as well as inspire kids to learn more about the famous artists that are honored on every page.

**Contributor Bio**
Eric Gibbons is the founder and director of Firehouse Gallery, an AENJ award-winning art educator, an artist, an inventor, and an origami master. His work has been featured in international exhibitions of art in places such as Osaka, Japan and Alexandria, Egypt. He is the author of *If Picasso Had a Christmas Tree*. He lives in Bordentown, New Jersey.
**My Little Star**  
Jenny Cooper, Gareth Llewhellin

**Summary**  
"Little star, it's time for bed, time to rest your sleepy head."

A gentle, rhyming story book that is perfect for reading at bedtime, with a glittery star to shake, shimmer and sparkle.

Shake the book to create a colorful cascade of glitter and foil shapes inside the star, which is secured to the inside of the book so you can make the star shake, shimmer, and sparkle on each page. The gentle, rhyming story, swirling glitter and foil stars, and cute illustrations will calm and reassure little ones at bedtime.

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**One Night in the Zoo**  
Band 11/Lime  
Judith Kerr

A wonderful rhyming book from Judith Kerr, the best-selling author of the Mog series and The Tiger Who Came to Tea

**Summary**  
It's only when all the visitors have gone home that the real fun starts in the zoo! Enjoy counting the wide variety of animals as you follow them through the night, and find out what mischief they get into. A summary showing each animal in the book in number order supports children in recappping what they have read. Lime/Band 11 books have longer sentence structures and a greater use of literary language. Ideas for reading at the back of the book provide practical support and stimulating activities.

**Contributor Bio**  
**Judith Kerr** is the author of such classics as *The Tiger Who Came to Tea* and *Mog the Forgetful Cat*. S
**Willow's Walkabout**

**A Children's Guide to Boston**

Sheila Cunningham, Kathie Kelleher

**Summary**

Imagine that you are Willow the Wallaby, who has come from Australia to live in the Stone Zoo New England, and all day long you overhear young visitors talking about all the great sights to see in the Boston area. After making a list, wouldn't you want to hop over your fence and set off on a walkabout (that's what Australians call a walking tour)? Packing her notebook, pen and anything else she might need conveniently in her pouch, one foggy night, Willow hops over the fence and begins her mission to see as many of the interesting and fun places in the city as she can over the next several days. Setting up a little tent in the Boston Garden, she begins her adventure the next day on the famous Swan Boats, right away meeting a nice little boy who tells where to go next. Taking lots of notes, Willow goes from one fun-filled location to another even ending up hopping her way through the Boston Marathon, all the time collecting souvenirs to bring back to her many friends at the zoo. There is so much to see in beautiful Boston, it is difficult to decide where to go first; so let Willow be ...

**Contributor Bio**

Sheila S. Cunningham, based her story on the real life story of Aardu, a most inquisitive and ingenious wallaby who, many years ago, went missing from Stone Zoo in Stoneham, MA. Aardu’s escape and voluntary return to the zoo made headline news not only in Boston, Massachusetts, but all across the USA. A proud native of Scranton, PA, Sheila experienced love at first sight when she arrives in Boston to attend graduate school. A lawyer, and now author, she is a devoted fan of all things Boston.

Kathie Kelleher is descended from a long line of talented and interesting characters, from bell-helmeted deep sea divers to Cape Breton bagpipers. As a young child, Kathie enjoyed hearing the family tales. Some tall, some small. All entertaining. She studied at the Paier College of Art in New Haven, CT under such luminaries as Dean Keller, Ken Davies and John Massimino. She has illustrated several books including Willow’s Walkabout: A Children’s Guide to Boston.

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**Zoo on the Moon**

David Walker

**Summary**

Visit the strange creatures living in a zoo that’s literally out-of-this-world

There’s a zoo on the moon where no one has been. It’s full of strange things that no human has seen. Come visit the amazing animals that live in the moon zoo: penguins that look like snails, laughing giraffes, sock-wearing camels, and so much more. Children will be in stitches over these crazy creatures!

**Contributor Bio**

David Walker is an illustrator whose books include Knock! Knock! Open the Door and The Shmoogly Boo.
### Sensational Butterflies Sticker Book

#### Natural History Museum

**Summary**

**Packed with fascinating facts, fun puzzles and games, and 100 reuseable stickers of butterflies, moths, and caterpillars**

Featuring images of actual butterflies from the unrivaled collections of the Natural History Museum, London, this colorful activity book is a child’s ideal introduction to the wonderful world of butterflies. The stickers are accompanied by informative sections on the behavior and habitats of butterflies, as well as details of their amazing life cycle. Young enthusiasts will discover how these fascinating creatures transform from chomping caterpillar to beautiful butterfly; learn some cool facts about what they eat and where they live; and test their butterfly knowledge in some great activities, including a spot-the-difference teaser and butterfly maze. Perfect for children who want to know more about these winged wonders, the book is fully checked and approved by the butterfly expert Blanca Huertas Hernandez, the curator of lepidoptera in the department of entomology at the Natural History Museum, London.

**Contributor Bio**

The **Natural History Museum, London**’s mission is to maintain and develop their collections, and use them to promote the discovery, understanding, responsible use, and enjoyment of the natural world.

### My First Encyclopedia of Dinosaurs

#### Henri Galeron, Donald Grant, Pierre de Hugo, Ute F...

**Summary**

This encyclopedia of dinosaurs has been created especially to allow young children to discover the lush natural world in which different species of dinosaurs evolved. The beautiful illustrations provide a detailed guide for readers to observe and identify the many different kinds of dinosaurs and giant sea and flying reptiles. The archeology of fossil finds and of painstaking reconstruction of skeletons is vividly portrayed.

**Contributor Bio**

**Henri Galeron** is the illustrator of Dinosaurs.
Endangered Animals Infographics
Harriet Brundle

Summary
Using factual infographics, this title explores how humanity’s impact on the environment is affecting species all around the world and pushing some of them to the brink of extinction.

Contributor Bio
Harriet Brundle is the author of more than 30 nonfiction books for children, including titles in the Materials series, the World Issues series, and the Your Faith series.

Fish
Grace Jones

Summary
This exciting new series helps the younger learner to identify and understand basic differences between mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, insects, and amphibians and the particular body parts that help them to eat and move. This series also explores the different habitats of these amazing creatures via the seven continents that they live within.

Contributor Bio
Grace Jones has edited more than 150 children's titles and has penned more than 40 nonfiction and fiction titles on a diverse range of topics, including the Funny Faces series, Life Cycles series, and My Senses series.
Salmon
Holly Duhig

Summary
Here children can explore some of the most interesting and important life cycles in the animal kingdom. With engaging language and an innovative use of design, this series make the science behind life cycles accessible to reluctant and confident readers alike.

3D Shark Attack!
Make A Hungry Shark Smash Through Your Wall
Nat Lambert, Mark Smith

Summary
Press out and build a model of a Great White Shark with this activity gift box for children aged 7+. When the impressive 3D shark attack room decoration model is complete, turn to the included reference book to learn all about sharks.

This educational activity gift box from Top That Publishing includes a photographic step-by-step instruction sheet, card pieces to make a 16x16x13 in. shark attack model and a full color 24-page reference book about sharks. No glue or scissors are required to complete the model-making activity, simply press out and slot the Great White Shark parts together!
**Fish Underwater**
Pierre de Hugo

**Summary**
If young readers want to look at fish in the sea, they can learn to dive, or they can watch the fish swim around in the pages of this book.

**Contributor Bio**
Pierre de Hugo is a children's illustrator.

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**Animal Camouflage**
Rene Mettler

**Summary**
What exactly is camouflage? Discover animals that can change their shape and their color depending upon their surroundings. Learn about animals that are very good at pretending to be other animals.

**Contributor Bio**
René Mettler is a children's book creator.
How Animals Sleep
Sylvaine Peyrols

Summary
A unique look at the many varying ways, times, and places that different animals sleep

Mammals, insects, fish, and reptiles all get tired like us and need to sleep. This book illustrates vividly how and where they sleep in many different ways and at different times. Fish, snakes, and insects sleep with their eyes open. Birds sleep perched in trees without falling off. Bats sleep upside down for 20 hours a day. Sleeping whales and dolphins keep a part of their brains awake at all times so that they can go to the surface when they need air. Horses, elephants, zebras, and giraffes sleep standing up and for less than 4 hours a day.

Contributor Bio
Sylvaine Peyrols is the author of The Body, Earth and Sky, Farm Animals, and How the Body Works.

Animals Two by Two: I Wonder Why
Lawrence F. Lowery

Summary
Children who love both animals and a rousing game of I Spy will have fun with this book. To give kids practice identifying similarities and differences, the book starts by pairing easy-to-distinguish animals, such as zebras and horses. Then it moves on to duos that are more difficult to tell apart, such as turtles and tortoises and seals and sea lions. Reading Animals Two by Two is like taking a walk through the zoo with an eagle-eyed friend—one who wants to know if you can spot the differences between a frog and a toad or a mole and a vole! Animals Two by Two is part of the I Wonder Why book series, written to ignite the curiosity of children in grades K−3 while encouraging them to become avid readers. These books explore the marvels of animals, plants, and other phenomena related to biology. Included in each volume is a Parent/Teacher Handbook with coordinating activities. The I Wonder Why series is written by an award-winning science educator and published by NSTA Kids, a division of NSTA Press.

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What Does an Animal Eat?
Lawrence F. Lowery

Summary
Kids who want to know all about animals will find this book fascinating. What Does an Animal Eat? offers insights into two special aspects of hungry animals: how their teeth and beaks offer clues to what they eat and the food chain’s role in helping to make sure there’s enough for all. Illustrated with detailed drawings, the book’s simple explanations lay the foundation for a deeper understanding of animal adaptation and the need for human help to protect the food chain. What Does an Animal Eat? is part of the I Wonder Why book series, written to ignite the curiosity of children in grades K–6 while encouraging them to become avid readers. These books explore the marvels of animals, plants, and other phenomena related to science and nature. Included in each edition is a Parent/Teacher Handbook with coordinating activities. The I Wonder Why series is written by an award-winning science educator and published by NSTA Kids, a division of NSTA Press.

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Whose Nose Do You Suppose?
Richard Turner, Margaret Tolland

Summary
Richly detailed and realistic illustrations of various animals in their natural habitat invite children to guess which animal each nose belongs to, then to learn a variety of facts about each animal. An enjoyable, educational resource for children, caregivers, and classrooms alike.

Contributor Bio
Richard Turner is a Performing Arts teacher who supports children’s creative voices through drama and dance. He has directed and choreographed musicals, working with students who can sing and dance way better than he can. Margaret Tolland is an artist from New Zealand, whose illustrations are packed with detail. Through her work, get closer to the habitats and lifestyles of the many species, both flora and fauna, that she explores with an eye on environmental education. With twenty years’ experience in visual arts education and working in a gallery, Margaret now illustrates full-time.
**Who Will Roar If I Go?**
Paige Jaeger, Carol Hill Quirk

**Summary**
Do you know what an endangered species is and why animals become endangered?

*Who Will Roar If I Go?* will introduce you to thirteen animals around the world who have one thing in common: they need your help. With beautiful watercolor illustrations and rhyming verse, each animal is sharing a message with you that you will remember long after reading.

"The King of the Beasts - that's my claim to fame.
I've got a big crown of hair that's called a mane."

You will meet many animals in Africa: lion, rhinoceros, and gorilla all have something to tell you.

"With black-patchy eyes, I'm chubby and cute.
I'm a lazy bear who chews bamboo shoots."

Next visit snow leopard, elephant and tiger in Asia, quetzal in South America, panda and salamander in China, red-crowned amazon and blue karner butterflies in North America, and the pangolin in Australia. Their message is simple, but very important for you, the stewards of the earth:

"We need you to care and let us live free.
Or there will be no more wild animals to see."

*Who Will Roar If I Go?* will introduce the basics of endangered species to young children an...

**Contributor Bio**

**Sharks**
Ute Fuhr, Raoul Sautai

**Summary**
Rare attacks by great white sharks have given sharks a bad name. Although some sharks have terrifying teeth, others only eat krill, plankton, and very small fish. Discover how they find their food. Learn how the biggest fish in the sea give birth to their young.

**Contributor Bio**

*Ute Fuhr* is the author of *Atlas of Civilizations, The Bee, and Let's Look at Castles.*
Whales
Ute Fuhr, Raoul Sautai

Summary
Whales, the biggest animal on Earth, lives on the sea. It is a wonderful creature but becoming sadly rare. Watch this giant leap gracefully out of the waves. See how it looks after its calf underwater. Children will delight in comparing and identifying different whales.

Contributor Bio

Jingle Baba, The Happiest Camel
Rita Gordon Siglain

Summary
Jingle Baba, the Happiest Camel is a heart-warming story for children of all ages about the love between a little camel who came to California from the London Zoo and the Unique Spiritual Master and World-Teacher Adi Da Samraj. Based on a true story, with 55 color photographs. For children 4 to 100.

Contributor Bio
Rita has been a professional editor and writer for over 30 years, having graduated from New York University in creative writing. When she was younger, she trained as an opera singer at the Juilliard School and at Eastman School of Music, and in ballet at the American School of Ballet. Having a deep passion for the visual arts since childhood, she also worked at the Museum of Modern Art in New York and as personal assistant to artist and wife of Jackson Pollock, Lee Krasner.In 1997 she suddenly fell in love with camels when she took a ride on Jingle Baba, the first camel at Sacred Camel Gardens of Fear-No-More Zoo in California. In her spare time she started photographing and spending a lot of time with Jingle Baba and his growing family. She couldn't help but tell her young grandchildren and other children about them and the Unique Spiritual Master Adi Da Samraj, who had a profound relationship with non-humans and who had created the beautiful Fear-No-More Zoo. Soon Rita found herself writing a children's book about it all and it is now available for everyone to enjoy. Originally fro...
**The Zoo**  
*A Lift-the-Fact Book*  
Five Mile

**Summary**  
Visit the zoo to find out amazing facts about some of the world’s most spectacular animals and how the zookeepers care for them. With more than 50 flaps explore the polar circle, butterfly house, rainforest walk, the cat kingdom, the savannah exhibit, the outback trail, and the grizzly wilds. The zoo experiences and artwork in this book are inspired by real-life exhibits and award-winning enclosures at some of the world’s great zoological gardens including: London Zoo, San Diego Zoo, Detroit Zoo, Bronx Zoo, Singapore Zoo, Melbourne Zoo, St Louis Zoo, Philadelphia Zoo, Jackson Zoo, Mississippi Woodland Zoo, Seattle Dallas Zoo, Cleveland Metropark, and Minnesota Zoo.

**Contributor Bio**  
Five Mile makes the books kids WANT to read.

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**Who's New at the Zoo?**  
Janik Coat

**Summary**  
*Who's New at the Zoo?* is a charmingly-illustrated book from illustrator Janik Coat. Children are tasked with spotting the new arrivals at a very busy zoo. Each page introduces a new animal—from a familiar snail to an exotic quetzal bird. Children can engage in spotting the new additions and, as the other animals change position and interact with each other, they are tasked with finding their favorite creatures in an ever-expanding scene.

**Contributor Bio**  
Janik Coat is a French artist whose works include *Hippopposites* and *Rhymoceros*.
Waiting for Joey
An Antarctic Penguin Journal
Jean Pennycook

Summary
How do Adelie penguins live and adapt to the changing climatic conditions of Antarctica? The author relates 10 years of observation, tracing the story of one penguin she calls Joey. Children will relate to both the penguins and the author’s sense of adventure as she becomes an expert penguin scientist. Richly illustrated with photos taken on-site at the research station in Antarctica.

Contributor Bio
Jean Pennycook is the Penguin Science Education and Outreach Specialist on a National Science Foundation project to study Adelie penguins in Antarctica. She has taught chemistry at the high school and college levels, and she spends many months in Antarctica each year.

Looking for Animals: I Wonder Why
Lawrence F. Lowery

Summary
Now you see them, now you don’t! By showing the same creatures in two different settings, this book brings out the detective in young readers. They can investigate the role of protective coloration—nature’s own camouflage—for katydids, crickets, bumblebees, beavers, spiders, and spotted green frogs. The vivid examples encourage children to closely examine the characteristics of hidden creatures that may be looking back at them, whether from the pages of this book or in their own backyards. Looking for Animals is part of the I Wonder Why book series, written to ignite the curiosity of children in grades K–3 while encouraging them to become avid readers. These books explore the marvels of animals, plants, and other phenomena related to biology. Included in each volume is a Parent/Teacher Handbook with coordinating activities. The I Wonder Why series is written by an award-winning science educator and published by NSTA Kids, a division of NSTA Press.

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Next Time You See a Pill Bug
Emily Morgan

Summary
Chances are that just under a nearby rock, you’ll spot a roly-poly pill bug. Encourage a child to take a close look, and introduce a fascinating creature. Gently pick it up and watch as it rolls into a ball and unrolls to take a walk. This cousin to lobsters and crabs sheds its crusty skin and will tickle your hand with its 14 (count ‘em!) wiggly legs. Awaken a sense of wonder in a child with the Next Time You See series from NSTA Kids. The books will inspire elementary-age children to experience the enchantment of everyday phenomena, such as pill bugs, fireflies, seashells, and sunsets. Free supplementary activities are available on the NSTA website. Especially designed to be experienced with an adult—be it a parent, teacher, or friend—Next Time You See books serve as a reminder that you don’t have to look far to find something remarkable in nature.

Contributor Bio
Emily Morgan is an author-educator who knows how to connect with children both intellectually and emotionally. A former elementary and middle school teacher, she coauthors the series Picture-Perfect Science and the “Teaching Through Trade Books” column in Science and Children, NSTA’s elementary-level journal, and is the author of the Next Time You See series from NSTA Press.

Up, Up in a Balloon
Lawrence F. Lowery

Summary
Young scientists will get both inspiration and giggles from this humorous but true tale of early experiments with flying. The book tells how the first successful venture into human flight came about because of two French brothers, several paper bags, heated air, leaky cloth, hydrogen gas, frightened farmers, a duck, a rooster, a sheep, and a brave friend of the French king. In addition to introducing scientific processes and principles of flight, Up, Up in a Balloon may prompt budding inventors to try, try again—just as the Montgolfier brothers did when they launched the first hot air balloons more than 200 years ago. Up, Up in a Balloon is part of the I Wonder Why book series, written to ignite the curiosity of children in grades K–6 while encouraging them to become avid readers. These books explore the marvels of geology, land forms, weather, environments, and other phenomena related to science and nature. Included in each volume is a Parent/Teacher Handbook with coordinating activities. The I Wonder Why series is written by an award-winning science educator and published by NSTA K...

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What Can an Animal Do?
Lawrence F. Lowery

Summary
This lively book proves that an animal can do all kinds of things! It encourages children to notice the characteristics and behavior of a world of different creatures: from gnawing, swimming beavers to spinning, climbing spiders to hopping, baby-toting kangaroos. What Can an Animal Do? is a lively introduction to observing, comparing, and describing—all things budding scientists can do, too. What Can an Animal Do? is part of the I Wonder Why book series, written to ignite the curiosity of children in Grades K–3 while encouraging them to become avid readers. These books explore the marvels of animals, plants, and other phenomena related to science and nature. Included in each edition is a Parent/Teacher Handbook with coordinating activities. The I Wonder Why series is written by an award-winning science educator and published by NSTA Kids, a division of NSTA Press.

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