

Handbook Of The Birds Of Europe The Middle East And North Africa The Birds Of The Western Palearctic Volume Viii Crows To Finches

An identification guide to nearly seven hundred species of western North American birds describes each species' distinguishing characteristics, habitats, typical song, behavior, nesting, and flight patterns.

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Descriptions of over 60 species of warblers.

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This beautifully illustrated and authoritative eight-volume reference work is the most comprehensive guide to the birds of the Western Palearctic available. Taking into account the great advances made in ornithology since the publication of the seminal Handbook of British Birds (1941)--which for many years provided the foundation on which the field was built--the eight volumes together will contain

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descriptions of over 760 species of birds, of which about 600 are breeding species. Each breeding species is described in detail in sections devoted to field characteristics, habitat, distribution, mortality and longevity, population (with maps showing breeding and wintering areas), social pattern and behavior, breeding, food, voice, plumages, moults, measurements, weights, structure, and geographical variation. Regular migration and accidental species are treated under these headings where relevant. Each volume also contains specially-commissioned color plates of each species which show the full range of normal plumage together with more distant flight views. In addition, color plates of eggs, black-and-white illustrations, and many text-figures showing display postures, voice sonograms and melograms, and annual cycles, are included. All of these features combine to make the Handbook an indispensable reference work for both the professional scientist and the ever-growing body of amateur ornithologists.

Intended by the author to serve as "a kind of handbook" to his folio work *The birds of Australia*, published in 1848. See Introduction, v.1, page 6, and Preface, v. 1, page v: "During that period [since publication of *The birds of Australia*] many new species have been discovered, and much additional information acquired respecting those comprised therein; consequently it appeared to me that a careful résumé of the entire subject would be acceptable to the

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possessors of the former edition, as well as to the many persons in Australia who are now turning their attention to the ornithology of the country in which they are resident."

Sandgrouse to Cucos. Prólogo sobre el concepto de especie y sus límites en ornitología. Más de 7000 referencias bibliográficas

All manner of information about birds is presented. Following each lengthy description are full-color plates of typical members of each species with range-pattern maps for each family's genus and species.

This handbook is a comprehensive reference work on the birds of the Indian subcontinent. The tenth volume first published in 1974, has been thoroughly revised for this second edition with new plates by bird artist John Henry Dick. The revision of the text relates particularly to distribution but also introduces new and amalgamated species.

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Traditional Chinese edition of The Big Book of the Bird

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IT has become a universal custom to obtain and preserve the likenesses of one's friends.

Photographs are the most popular form of these likenesses, as they give the true exterior outlines and appearance, (except coloring) of the subjects. But how much more popular and

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useful does photography become, when it can be used as a means of securing plates from which to print photographs in a regular printing press, and, what is more astonishing and delightful, to produce the real colors of nature as shown in the subject, no matter how brilliant or varied. We quote from the December number of the Ladies' Home Journal: "An excellent suggestion was recently made by the Department of Agriculture at Washington that the public schools of the country shall have a new holiday, to be known as Bird Day. Three cities have already adopted the suggestion, and it is likely that others will quickly follow. Of course, Bird Day will differ from its successful predecessor, Arbor Day. We can plant trees but not birds. It is suggested that Bird Day take the form of bird exhibitions, of bird exercises, of bird studies—any form of entertainment, in fact, which will bring children closer to their little brethren of the air, and in more intelligent sympathy with their life and ways. There is a wonderful story in bird life, and but few of our children know it. Few of our elders do, for that matter. A whole day of a year can well and profitably be given over to the birds. Than such study, nothing can be more interesting. The cultivation of an intimate acquaintanceship with our feathered friends is a source of genuine pleasure. We are under greater obligations to the birds than we dream of. Without them the world would be more barren than we imagine. Consequently, we have some duties which we owe them. What these duties are only a few of us know or have ever taken the trouble to find out. Our children should not be allowed to grow to maturity without this knowledge. The more they know of the birds the better men and women they will be. We can hardly encourage such studies too much." Of all animated nature, birds are the most beautiful in coloring, most graceful in form and action, swiftest in motion and most perfect emblems of freedom. They are withal, very intelligent and have many remarkable traits, so that their habits

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and characteristics make a delightful study for all lovers of nature. In view of the facts, we feel that we are doing a useful work for the young, and one that will be appreciated by progressive parents, in placing within the easy possession of children in the homes these beautiful photographs of birds. The text is prepared with the view of giving the children as clear an idea as possible, of haunts, habits, characteristics and such other information as will lead them to love the birds and delight in their study and acquaintance.

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