

BIRD FAMILIES OF THE WORLD

**Albatrosses and Petrels
Across the World**

Michael de L. Brooke, University Museum of Zoology, Cambridge, UK

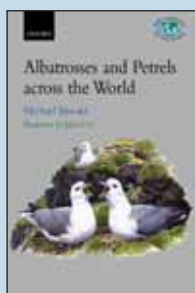
'OUP cannot be faulted for producing an attractive and worthwhile addition to ornithological texts. *Albatrosses and Petrels Across the World* give[s] an interesting and accessible account of the life style of these fascinating birds ... This book certainly helps to raise the profile of Petrels, which can only be a good thing in their longterm conservation.'

Avian and Poultry Biology Review

2004 | 518 pages

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**The Hawaiian Honeycreepers
*Drepanidinae***

H. Douglas Pratt, Louisiana State University Museum, USA

Jack Jeffrey and Shelia Conant

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Ratites and Tinamous

Tinamidae, Rheidae, Dromaiidae, Casuariidae, Apterygidae, Struthionidae

Stephen Davies, Western Australia, Australia
Colour plates by **Michael. J Bamford** and Drawings and Maps by **Danika Loomes**

'The introductory chapters contain some fascinating pieces of information.'

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Ptilonorhynchidae

Clifford Frith, Honorary Research Fellow, Queensland Museum, Brisbane, and **Dawn Frith**, Honorary Research Fellow, Queensland Museum, Brisbane

Eustace Barnes, Michael McGuire, Edited by **C. M. Perrins, W. J. Bock, and J. Kikkawa**

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Avian and Poultry Biology Reviews

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The Grebes

Podicipedidae

Jon Fjeldsa, Professor of Biodiversity, Zoological Museum, University of Copenhagen

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Fatbirder, February 2006.

The pelecaniformes are seabirds, found all over the world in marine and freshwater environments, encompassing six families and sixty species. They illuminate a variety of extremely important areas of seabird biology, especially ecology, behaviour and conservation. Bryan Nelson has researched these birds for forty years and his work is complemented by beautiful pictures, specially commissioned for the book from renowned ornithology illustrators.

January 2006 | 680 pages

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Hérons

James A. Kushlan and **James A. Hancock**
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Nicholas Harman, The Spectator, September 2005.

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BIRD FAMILIES OF THE WORLD

Ducks, Geese, and Swans

The late **Janet Kear**, The Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust, UK

Mark Hulme

'It is a joy to open a book of this quality, whose scholarship is matched by its handsome presentation and stunning illustrations.'

The London Naturalist, No.84, 2005

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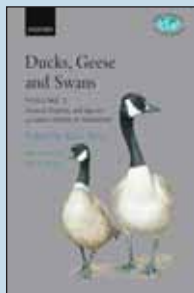
James Fleming, *The Spectator*

Ducks, Geese and Swans is a welcome addition to Oxford's acclaimed *Bird Families of the World* series and is set to become a classic work of ornithology literature. These waterfowl are familiar to all thanks to their worldwide distribution and the many uses made of them by man. Nonetheless, it is forty years since they last received such detailed coverage, from taxonomy and classification to detailed species accounts. In *Ducks, Geese and Swans*, Janet Kear has brought together a wide panel of experts to provide the most authoritative and up-to-date survey of these birds available.

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**The Cuckoos**

Robert B. Payne, University of Michigan, USA
Michael D. Sorensen, **Karen Klitz**, and **John Megahan**

'In summary, *The Cuckoos* is a good review text of this fascinating group of birds that will serve as a reference text for many years to come. The strength of this book lies in the equal treatment of all cuckoo species whether they lay eggs in their own nests or in those of another species.'

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**Nightjars and their Allies**

The Caprimulgiformes

D.T. Holyoak

Colour plates by **Martin Woodcock**

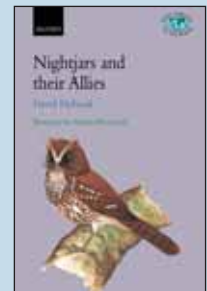
Nightjars and Their Allies provides a detailed review of the biology and evolution of all Caprimulgiformes. 118 species accounts provide details of coloration, measurements, geographical variation, range, movements, habitats, food and feeding, behaviour, voice, breeding, field identification, conservation, etc., with a large bibliography. All species are illustrated on the 23 colour plates by Martin

Woodcock and there are numerous line drawings. The introductory chapters trace the evolution of each group within the Caprimulgiformes. Their taxonomy, biogeography and adaptive radiation in habitat preferences, feeding, behaviour, vocalisations, breeding, and moult are then reviewed in an evolutionary context.

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**Birds of Paradise**

Paradisaeidae

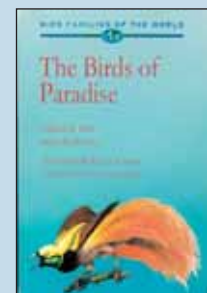
Clifford B. Frith and **Bruce M. Beehler**, Research Associate, Smithsonian Institution, and Director, Environment and Natural Resources Counterpart International, Washington, USA
Illustrated by **William T. Cooper**

Birds of paradise have long played a central part in human mythologies and captured the imagination of collectors, scientists, and naturalists—and fashion designers. *Birds of Paradise* provides the first comprehensive, up-to-date, and scientifically accurate overview of the behaviour, biology, ecology, biogeography, and history of the most ornate and dramatic group of birds on earth. The book is illustrated by 12 superb, specially commissioned colour plates including all 42 species of birds of paradise, original line drawings of many behaviours never before recorded, maps, graphs, sonograms, and photographs. This stunning book will delight ornithologists and naturalists the world over.

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**Toucans, Barbets, and Honeyguides**

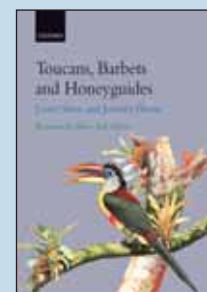
Ramphastidae, Capitonidae and Indicatoridae

Lester Short, American Museum of Natural History, USA, and **Jennifer Horne**, National Museums of Kenya, Kenya

This superbly illustrated book covers in unmatched detail the life history, relationships, biology and conservation of all the world's toucans, barbets and honeyguides. The colour plates, painted by well-known American artist Albert Earl Gilbert, are probably the best paintings of these birds ever produced.

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NEW FOR 2006

Handbook of Avian Hybrids of the World

Eugene M. McCarthy, University of Georgia, Athens, USA

'This book is an essential resource for banders, museum curators, and the serious birder. For researchers in conservation, ecology and evolution, the book is a treasure trove of the occurrence and frequency of hybrids that could be used for preliminary comparative studies.'

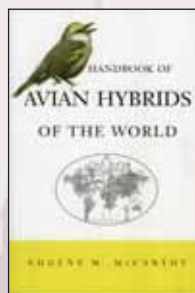
Journal of Field Ornithology, Vol. 77, issue 2, Spring 2006.

With more than 5,000 works cited, *Handbook of Avian Hybrids of the World* is the greatest compendium of information ever published on hybridization in birds. Worldwide in scope, it provides information on all reported avian crosses, not only those occurring in captivity, but also in a natural setting (approximately 4,000 crosses are covered). This book is a basic reference, intended both for the serious birder and the professional biologist. McCarthy's work fills a need for reference material that takes into account the last half century of data. It will be of interest to workers in a wide variety of fields, ranging from animal behavior to genetics, ecology, zoology, and systematics. In fact, it will make fascinating reading for anyone interested in birds and the natural world.

March 2006 | 598 pages

0-19-518323-1 / 978-0-19-518323-8, HARDBACK

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NEW FOR 2006

Conservation and Biology of Small Populations

The Song Sparrows of Mandarte Island

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Lukas F. Keller,

Zoological Museum, Zurich, Switzerland,

Amy B. Marr, University of British Columbia,

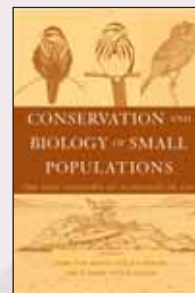
Canada, and Peter Arcese, University of British Columbia, Canada

This book explores the factors affecting the survival of small populations. As the human impact on Earth expands, populations of many wild species are being squeezed into smaller and smaller habitats. As a consequence, they face an increasing threat of extinction. National and international conservation groups rush to add these populations, species and sub-species to their existing endangered and threatened lists. In nations with strong conservation laws, listing often triggers elaborate plans to rescue declining populations and restore their habitats. The authors review these theoretical ideas, the existing data, and explore the question: how well do small and isolated populations actually perform?

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Robert Kennedy, Pedro C. Gonzales, Edward Dickinson, Hector C. Miranda, Jr, and Timothy H. Fisher

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John MacKinnon, EU Co-director, ASEAN Regional Centre for Biodiversity Conservation, Philippines

Colour illustrations by Karen Phillipps and Dave Showler

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Hugh Robertson and Barrie Heather, Department of Conservation, Wellington, New Zealand

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Ted Anderson,

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