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World Birdwatch - 2004

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50 Top Birding sites in Kenya - Catherine Ngarachu 2017-07-01

For the very first time, local and visiting birders will have a detailed guide to Kenya's best birding sites. The book will help them to locate the key species in each area, including sought-after 'specials' and endemics. It offers: a detailed map for each site with specific guidance on what to look for and where information about the birds likely to be seen, descriptions of each site, indicating the plants and wildlife that may be encountered in addition to the birds, tips for planning your trip, road directions to each site.

Tropical Biodiversity: Why Should We Care? - Ana Maria Rocha de Almeida
2019-06-07

When we look at our planet's species distribution, we observe a very interesting pattern: as we move from the Poles to the Equator, the number of species drastically increases. This is what has been called 'latitudinal gradient of species diversity'. In short, it means that tropical areas, which are located between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn, harbor a greater number of species than temperate areas. We still don't know exactly what causes (or have caused) this phenomenon, but we know that it resulted in high endism, that is, a large number of animals and plants unique to these areas. The tropical areas of the globe are an intricate patchwork of various ecosystems. Tropical ecosystems can vary from rainforests to deserts; from savannahs to mangroves, and we have a lot to learn from them. However, in recent years we have witnessed an increase in rates of habitat destruction, particularly in the tropics. Currently, many tropical ecosystems are under threat, as vast areas are devastated to give space to cities, agriculture, and cattle farms. As tropical areas vanish, so do species previously unknown to us, as well as ecological processed specific to these environments. Moreover, due to its global importance, devastation of tropical areas has potential impacts on other non-tropical ecosystems, and may exacerbate climate change, as well as influence the spread of tropical diseases. On the other side of this battle, there are many scientists that dedicated themselves to the study of the

fascinating tropical biodiversity. This collection of articles aims at highlighting their contributions to our understanding of tropical patterns and processes leading to this incredible biodiversity. It focuses on the wonders of the tropical areas of the globe, by asking, amongst others, the following questions: Which species of plants and animals are found in tropical areas? What can we learn about tropical ecology and how can this knowledge help us conserve these ecosystems for future generations?

Birding Cape Cod - Cape Cod Bird Club 2005

A field guide to one of the world's premier birding locations, this volume makes it easy to take this sublime pastime to the next level. With a breakdown of the Cape into regions, towns, and favorite birding areas, the guide includes a section on pelagic birding, detailed maps that indicate items of interest, birding hot spots, and even parking locations. A section on the descriptions of Cape Cod specialty species is also included as are explanations of when to bird, what to look for, and in which habitats to find birds. A useful checklist of the birds of the Cape, helpful cross references, and a complete index for quick reference round out this perfect field guide for both visitors to and residents of Cape Cod.

Environmental Drivers of Bird Species Occupancy in a Tropical Montane

Biodiversity Hotspot - Vijay Ramesh 2023

Taken together, we find that climate and land cover are key determinants of bird species occupancy in the Western Ghats, and in a globally changing world, conservation interventions such as ecological restoration along with the preservation of naturally occurring land cover types are key to sustaining montane avifauna in the long run.

Properties and Management of Soils in the Tropics - Pedro A. Sanchez 2019-01-10
Long-awaited second edition of classic textbook, brought completely up to date, for courses on tropical soils, and reference for scientists and professionals.

Tropical Ecology - John Kricher 2011-02-28

This full-color illustrated textbook offers the first comprehensive introduction to all major aspects of tropical ecology. It explains why the world's tropical rain forests are so universally rich in species, what factors may contribute to high species richness, how nutrient cycles affect rain forest ecology, and how ecologists investigate the complex interrelationships among flora and fauna. It covers tropical montane ecology, riverine ecosystems, savanna, dry forest--and more. Tropical Ecology begins with a historical overview followed by a sweeping discussion of biogeography and evolution, and then introduces students to the unique and complex structure of tropical rain forests. Other topics include the processes that influence everything from species richness to rates of photosynthesis: how global climate change may affect rain forest characteristics and function; how fragmentation of ecosystems affects species richness and ecological processes; human ecology in the tropics; biodiversity; and conservation of tropical ecosystems and species. Drawing on real-world examples taken from actual research, Tropical Ecology is the best textbook on the subject for advanced undergraduates and graduate students. Offers the first comprehensive introduction to tropical ecology Describes all the major kinds of tropical terrestrial ecosystems Explains species diversity, evolutionary processes, and coevolutionary interactions

Features numerous color illustrations and examples from actual research Covers global warming, deforestation, reforestation, fragmentation, and conservation The essential textbook for advanced undergraduates and graduate students Suitable for courses with a field component Leading universities that have adopted this book include: Biola University Bucknell University California State University, Fullerton Colorado State University - Fort Collins Francis Marion University Michigan State University Middlebury College Northern Kentucky University Ohio Wesleyan University St. Mary's College of Maryland Syracuse University Tulane University University of California, Santa Cruz University of Central Florida University of Cincinnati University of Florida University of Missouri University of New Mexico University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill University of the West Indies

Birding Florida - Brian Rapoza 2007

In its 54 chapters, *Birding Florida* describes over 300 sites from Pensacola to the Dry Tortugas. Included are such hotspots as Everglades National Park, Fort De Soto and Ding Darling, Merritt Island and St. Marks National Wildlife Refuges, plus birding locations near the state's popular theme parks. Each site description includes an extensive bird list and detailed directions on how to get there. Also included are sections on Florida's diverse habitats, how to plan your trip and species accounts providing the best locations and seasons for each bird species.

Conservation of Tropical Birds - Navjot S. Sodhi 2011-02-23

Conservation of Tropical Birds has been written by four conservation biologists whose expertise spans all the tropical regions of the world. It is the first book to cover all the major issues in tropical bird conservation. Current problems faced by tropical bird conservationists are summarised and potential solutions outlined based on the results of case studies. Birds are key indicators of ecosystem health, and such a well-studied group of organisms, that they provide an excellent lens through which to examine global conservation problems caused by phenomena such as climate change, declines in ecosystem services, habitat loss, fires, overexploitation, and invasive species. Therefore, the book also provides an engaging synopsis of the general issues in conservation and the problems faced by other wildlife. This book serves as an important resource and companion to all people interested in observing and conserving birds in the tropics and elsewhere.

A Bird-finding Guide to Costa Rica - Barrett Lawson 2009

"Marked by its superb natural beauty, Costa Rica has the greatest percentage of preserved land of any nation worldwide; nearly a third of the country is protected in national parks, reserves, and refuges. The wildlife that abounds in these tropical areas includes a stunning diversity of more than 820 bird species. In *A Bird-Finding Guide to Costa Rica*, Barrett Lawson offers detailed information that makes it easy for both expert and novice birders to plan and enjoy an exciting trip to this birders' paradise." "Lawson describes fifty-three of the best birding destinations in Costa Rica. Birders will appreciate the detailed descriptions of how to bird each area, as well as the site-specific lists - "Target Birds" and "Species to Expect." The site descriptions are structured for ease of use and clarity; each provides a general introduction, exact driving directions, road maps, and lodging information.

Other important elements include a general introduction to Costa Rica, an overview of tropical birds, sample itineraries, a comprehensive checklist to the birds of the country, and information about the best locations to find endemics and other sought-after species. The sites are grouped into six regions that reflect general patterns of avian distribution; this helps readers understand Costa Rica's complex bird diversity as well as plan a dynamic trip." "Features fifty-three top birding locations from across the country." "'Species to Expect' lists inform readers of birds that can be found at featured sites; especially common birds are presented in bold." "'Target Birds' lists alert birders to rare and exciting species." "All bird lists include plate references to the two most respected field guides, A Guide to the Birds of Costa Rica by F. Gary Stiles and Alexander F. Skutch and The Birds of Costa Rica: A Field Guide by Richard Garrigues and Robert Dean (both also published by Cornell)." "Eight sample itineraries and 107 maps are accompanied by information-birding times, driving times, and road indications-that will help readers customize their own itineraries." "Includes a complete checklist to the birds of the country with abundance ratings for eight representative sites." --Book Jacket.

Measuring and Monitoring Biodiversity in Tropical and Temperate Forests - Timothy J. B. Boyle 1995-01-01

Top 100 Birding Sites Of The World - Dominic Couzens 2015-06-18

Top 100 Birding Sites of the World features detailed accounts of the best birdwatching sites in the world, giving background and first-hand experience of what you can find there. Each is ranked from one to 100. The expertly written and very readable text is backed up by lavish photos of the birds and scenery at each of the chosen hot-spots, including rare images of amazing species and some of the world's best avian spectacles such as the Snow Goose 'blizzard' at Bosque del Apache and the swarms of Lesser Flamingos on Africa's Rift Valley Lakes. Coverage is global, with sites from across Europe, Asia, Africa, Australasia, North and South America and Antarctica. Whether you want to use it to plan your holidays for years to come, or just as an inspirational book to dip into, Top 100 Birding Sites of the World will have a wide appeal for all those with an interest in birds and birdwatching.

Bird Watcher's Digest - 2001

Minnesota Birding - 1995

A Bird-Finding Guide to Mexico - Steve N. G. Howell 2018-10-18

With a rich variety of stunning avifauna, Mexico provides the first taste of the Neotropics for many birders. At last here is a guide to Mexico's best birdwatching sites, from Baja California to the Yucatan Peninsula. Steve N. G. Howell, coauthor of the widely acclaimed A Guide to the Birds of Mexico and Northern Central America, has selected over 100 sites where birders may see more than 950 species, including virtually all of the endemics and regional specialties. Useful for both the business traveler in Mexico City with only a morning to spare and the serious birder planning a three-month trip across the country, this indispensable book tells where to go and what to look for. * covers all of Mexico and includes all of the top birding spots. * presents key

information on over 100 sites, where more than 950 bird species can be seen. * provides lists of the birds at the most popular sites. * gives general information about each region of the country, along with a map showing the location of its sites; additional maps show greater detail at selected sites. * supplies listings of all endemics and sought-after species with key sites where they can be seen. * includes advice on how best to find and view birds. * suggests itineraries for birding holidays. * offers valuable tips on travel and birdwatching in Mexico.

Avian biodiversity collapse in the anthropocene: Drivers and consequences - Çağan H. Şekercioğlu 2023-06-14

Site Guides--Costa Rica and Panama - Dennis W. Rogers 1996

Presents information that you need to know to make the most of birding trips to these exciting destinations.

Habitats of the World - Iain Campbell 2021-09-28

Habitats of Australasia (Australia, NZ and New Guinea) -- Habitats of the Neotropics (Central and South America) -- Habitats of the Afrotropics (Saharan Africa) -- Habitats of the Palearctic (Europe, North Asia and North Africa) -- Habitats of the Nearctic (North America).

Tropical Conservation Biology - Navjot S. Sodhi 2013-05-22

This introductory textbook examines diminishing terrestrial and aquatic habitats in the tropics, covering a broad range of topics including the fate of the coral reefs; the impact of agriculture, urbanization, and logging on habitat depletion; and the effects of fire on plants and animal survival. Includes case studies and interviews with prominent conservation scientists to help situate key concepts in a real-world context. Covers a broad range of topics including: the fate of the coral reefs; the impact of agriculture, urbanization, and logging on habitat depletion; and the effects of fire on plants and animal survival. Highlights conservation successes in the region, and emphasizes the need to integrate social issues, such as human hunger, into a tangible conservation plan. Documents the current state of the field as it looks for ways to predict future outcomes and lessen human impact. "Sodhi et al. have done a masterful job of compiling a great deal of literature from around the tropical realm, and they have laid out the book in a fruitful and straightforward manner...I plan to use it as a reference and as supplemental reading for several courses and I would encourage others to do the same." *Ecology*, 90(4), 2009, pp.1144–1145

Avian Malaria and Related Parasites in the Tropics - Diego Santiago-Alarcon 2020-10-19

The Tropics are home to the greatest biodiversity in the world, but tropical species are at risk due to anthropogenic activities, mainly land use change, habitat loss, invasive species, and pathogens. Over the past 20 years, the avian malaria and related parasites (Order: Haemosporida) systems have received increased attention in the tropical regions from a diverse array of research perspectives. However, to date no attempts have been made to synthesize the available information and to propose new lines of research. This book provides such a synthesis by not only focusing on the antagonistic interactions, but also by providing conceptual chapters on topics going from avian

haemosporidians life cycles and study techniques, to chapters addressing current concepts on ecology and evolution. For example, a chapter synthesizing basic biogeography and ecological niche model concepts is presented, followed by one on the island biogeography of avian haemosporidians. Accordingly, researchers and professionals interested in these antagonistic interaction systems will find both an overview of the field with special emphasis on the tropics, and access to the necessary conceptual framework for various topics in ecology, evolution and systematics. Given its conceptual perspective, the book will appeal not only to readers interested in avian haemosporidians, but also to those more generally interested in the ecology, evolution and systematics of host-parasite interactions.

Nesting Birds of a Tropical Frontier - Timothy Brush 2005

The story behind the birds everyone wants to see Halfway between Dallas and Mexico City, along the last few hundred miles of the Rio Grande, lies a subtropical outpost where people come from all over the world to see birds. Located between the temperate north and the tropic south, with desert to the west and ocean to the east, the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas provides habitat for a variety of birds seen nowhere else in the United States. If you want to see a Hooked-billed Kite, Muscovy Duck, or Altamira Oriole, this is the place. Drawing on years of personal observation and study, Timothy Brush has written a classic work of natural history about the little-known breeding bird communities of the Valley and the diversity of nesting strategies and behaviors that can be seen. Brush estimates that there are more than 150 current breeding species in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. In "Nesting Birds of a Tropical Frontier," he describes the habits, distribution, changes in occurrence, and general outlook of these as well as former breeders, concentrating on Valley specialties and other birds of particular interest in the Valley. The species are all dependent upon appropriate habitat, from riparian forest to mesquite savannah, and Brush describes the history of these habitats and the special features that keep the birds coming. He also discusses conservation and the need for both large-scale land acquisitions by public and private groups and small-scale restoration through urban parks and individual landscaping. Art by Gerald Sneed and color photographs by several of Texas' top nature photographers show off some of the Valley's famous birds. Historical maps of vegetation and geology help us gain a better perspective on the changes that have taken place along the Rio Grande and on the breeding bird communities of the U.S.-Mexico frontier.

W Inging it - 2006

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Global Safari - James Parry 2007

Featuring 50 of the world's most incredible natural sights, 'Global Safari' takes a unique approach to the subject of wildlife-viewing. It combines information on each of the species and regions featured with stunning images from the world's most celebrated wildlife photographers.

Birds and Climate Change - James W. Pearce-Higgins 2014-06-12

A critical synthesis of the impacts of climate change on birds, examining potential future effects and conservation responses.

A Birder's Guide to Belize - Bert Frenz 2013

One of the world's premier birding destinations, BELIZE can be the perfect introduction to tropical birding for those new to the tropics and a birding paradise for all levels of birders. The country's dozens of great birding sites spread across the contrasting habitats of the famous barrier reef and tropical islands, to the coastal plain and its renowned lagoons and rivers through lush rainforest, to the highlands of Mountain Pine Ridge with stunning waterfalls and the Maya Mountains that hide ancient Maya ruins. This small country proffers a friendly, English-speaking population proud of its conservation ethic, excellent lodging, and superb birding-all combining to make a trip to Belize one that no birder should miss! A Birder's Guide to Belize has all the information that the visiting birder will need: Descriptions of over 100 birding sites, including a special section on nearby Tikal National Park in Guatemala. Help in locating the Belize specialty birds, among the 591 species recorded in Belize. 45 maps and directions with hundreds of GPS coordinates. Bar graphs and an annotated checklist to travel tips, lodging recommendations, advice for getting around in Belize.

Birding - 2008

Site Guides--La Ruta Maya - Dennis W. Rogers 1994

In the Field, Among the Feathered - Thomas R. Dunlap 2011-12-14

America is a nation of ardent, knowledgeable birdwatchers. But how did it become so? And what role did the field guide play in our passion for spotting, watching, and describing birds? In the Field, Among the Feathered tells the history of field guides to birds in America from the Victorian era to the present, relating changes in the guides to shifts in science, the craft of field identification, and new technologies for the mass reproduction of images. Drawing on his experience as a passionate birder and on a wealth of archival research, Thomas Dunlap shows how the twin pursuits of recreation and conservation have inspired birders and how field guides have served as the preferred method of informal education about nature for well over a century. The book begins with the first generation of late 19th-century birdwatchers who built the hobby when opera glasses were often the best available optics and bird identification was sketchy at best. As America became increasingly urban, birding became more attractive, and with Roger Tory Peterson's first field

guide in 1934, birding grew in both popularity and accuracy. By the 1960s recreational birders were attaining new levels of expertise, even as the environmental movement made birding's other pole, conservation, a matter of human health and planetary survival. Dunlap concludes by showing how recreation and conservation have reached a new balance in the last 40 years, as scientists have increasingly turned to amateurs, whose expertise had been honed by the new guides, to gather the data they need to support habitat preservation. Putting nature lovers and citizen-activists at the heart of his work, Thomas Dunlap offers an entertaining history of America's long-standing love affair with birds, and with the books that have guided and informed their enthusiasm.
Birds of Vietnam - Richard Craik 2018

Effects of Landscape Fragmentation on Bird Communities in a Tropical Hotspot - Pedro X. Astudillo 2014

Effects of Landscape Fragmentation on Bird Communities in a Tropical Hotspot - Pedro Xavier Astudillo Webster 2014

Benchmarking Biodiversity in an Era of Rapid Change - W. Douglas Robinson
2022-01-20

The Living Bird Quarterly - 1990

W Inging it - 2004

Birding Corpus Christi and the Coastal Bend - Jamie Ritter 2007
Detailed descriptions, maps, and photos lead the bird watcher to the more than 75 sites within a two-hour drive from Corpus Christi, Texas.
Important Bird Areas of the Tropical Andes - 2004*

Birds of the Wild - 1994

Cameroon - Ben West 2008
This guide explores the geographical diversities of Lake Chad in the north, Mount Cameroon in the west, and the dense rainforests of the south.