

The Bird Watchers Wife

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Of a Feather Scott Weidensaul 2008-09-15 Beyond Audubon: A quirky, "lively and illuminating" account of bird-watching's history, including "rivalries, controversies, [and] bad behavior" (The Washington Post Book World). From the moment Europeans arrived in North America, they were awestruck by a continent awash with birds—great flocks of wild pigeons, prairies teeming with grouse, woodlands alive with brilliantly colored songbirds. *Of a Feather* traces the colorful origins of American birding: the frontier ornithologists who collected eggs between border skirmishes; the society matrons who organized the first effective conservation movement; and the luminaries with checkered pasts, such as Alexander Wilson (a convicted blackmailer) and the endlessly self-mythologizing John James Audubon. Naturalist Scott Weidensaul also recounts the explosive growth of modern birding that began when an awkward schoolteacher named Roger Tory Peterson published *A Field Guide to the Birds* in 1934. Today, birding counts iPod-wearing teens and obsessive "listers" among its tens of millions of participants, making what was once an eccentric hobby into something so completely mainstream it's now (almost) cool. This compulsively readable popular history will surely find a roost on every birder's shelf. "Weidensaul is a charming guide. . . . You don't have to be a birder to enjoy this look at one of today's fastest-growing (and increasingly competitive) hobbies." —The Arizona Republic

A Simple Guide To Bird Watching Zahid Ameer 2020-03-14 Bird watching (birdwatching) or also known as birding is the observation and study of birds with the naked eye or with the use of binoculars. Birding also includes the auditory component, since birds can be easily and readily detected using the ear than the eye. Most people follow bird watching as a hobby. Birdwatching can be traced back as early as the Victorian Era in Britain when the study of birds and natural history became fashionable. Collectors would collect eggs, skins and feathers from different colonies. But in the 1800s there was a popular call for the protection of birds, this led to the observation on living birds. You are about to learn almost all the necessary info relating birdwatching.

The Backyard Bird Watcher George Harrison 1988-06-15 Provides practical information on converting backyards into model bird sanctuaries, setting up feeding stations, bird houses, and water areas, treating sick and injured birds, and taking outstanding photographs

My First Bird Watching Journal 2021-04-02 Birding Journal This journal is perfect for birdwatchers or birdwatching lovers. It is beautifully designed, clear, easy to use, and well organized. Click on "Look inside" to get familiar with the interior. Features: - 100 pages - Introduction page for your child to make his own - High quality white paper - Glossy cover - Durable binding, paperback format (easy to fold and carry in a backpack, or even back pocket) - Perfect for gel pen, ink or pencils - Product Measures: 8.5" x 11" - perfect to include all information Great as a gift for actual or future little birdwatchers! This Birding Journal is perfect gift for all occasions including Birthdays, Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter and other holidays.

Bird Watching Book for Kids Jane Smith 2021-09-14

Birding Without Borders Noah Strycker 2018-09-01 One of the Guardian's Best Paperbacks of November 'Astonishing ... If by chance you can't meet these 6,042 species yourself, this book is a close second' Jennifer Ackerman, author of *The Genius of Birds*

'Even readers who wouldn't know a marvellous spatuletail from a southern ground hornbill will be awed' Publishers Weekly Noah Strycker set himself a goal: to become the first person to see half the world's 10,000 species of bird in one year. With an itinerary covering 41 countries, spanning all seven continents, and armed with a backpack, binoculars and a series of one-way tickets, he sets out on the greatest adventure in the birding world. Along the way he meets a colourful cast of fellow birders - and discovers a world of blood-sucking leeches, chronic sleep deprivation, floods, war zones, ecologic devastation and conservation triumphs. Vivid, charming and full of wonder, *Birding Without Borders* is a celebration of passion, exploration and the birders' ethos that, if you keep your eyes and mind open, you never know what you might see.

The Field Guide to Dumb Birds of North America Matt Kracht 2019-04-02 National bestselling book: Featured on Midwest, Mountain Plains, New Atlantic, Northern, Pacific Northwest and Southern Regional Indie Bestseller Lists Perfect book for the birder and anti-birder alike A humorous look at 50 common North American dumb birds: For those who have a disdain for birds or bird lovers with a sense of humor, this snarky, illustrated handbook is equal parts profane, funny, and—let's face it—true. Featuring common North American birds, such as the White-Breasted Butt Nugget and the Goddamned Canada Goose (or White-Breasted Nuthatch and Canada Goose for the layperson), Matt Kracht identifies all the idiots in your backyard and details exactly why they suck with humorous, yet angry, ink drawings. With *The Field Guide to Dumb Birds of North America*, you won't need to wonder what all that racket is anymore! • Each entry is accompanied by facts about a bird's (annoying) call, its (dumb) migratory pattern, its (downright tacky) markings, and more. • The essential guide to all things wings with migratory maps, tips for birding, musings on the avian population, and the ethics of birdwatching. • Matt Kracht is an amateur birder, writer, and illustrator who enjoys creating books that celebrate the humor inherent in life's absurdities. Based in Seattle, he enjoys gazing out the window at the beautiful waters of Puget Sound and making fun of birds. "There are loads of books out there for bird lovers, but until now, nothing for those that love to hate birds. *The Field Guide to Dumb Birds of North America* fills the void, packed with snarky illustrations that chastise the flying animals in a funny, profane way. " - Uncrate A humorous animal book with 50 common North American birds for people who love birds and also those who love to hate birds • A perfect coffee table or bar top conversation-starting book • Makes a great Mother's Day, Father's Day, birthday, or retirement gift

The Running Sky Tim Dee 2010 *The Running Sky* records a lifetime of looking at birds. Beginning in summer with clouds of breeding seabirds in Shetland and ending with crepuscular nightjars like giant moths in the heart of England, Tim Dee maps his own observations and encounters over four decades of tracking birds across the globe. He tells of near-global birds like sparrows, starlings and ravens, and exotic species, like electrically coloured hummingbirds in California and bee-eaters and broadbills in Africa. In doing so he brilliantly restores us to the primacy of looking, the thrill of watching, and takes us outside, again and again, to stand, with or without binoculars, under the storm of life over our heads, and to marvel once more at what is flying about us.

Sea Fever Ann Cleaves 2013-05-09 *Sea Fever* is the sixth

mystery novel featuring George and Molly Palmer-Jones by Ann Cleeves, author of the Shetland and Vera Stanhope crime series. A rare and unrecorded sea bird captures all the birders attention whilst right under their noses the most fanatical birder of them all disappears . . . Later, Greg Franks' corpse, the head bludgeoned, is found floating in the sea. Had it not been for Greg Franks, amateur detective George Palmer-Jones would not have been on the bird watching trip in Cornwall to the first place. He had been hired by Greg Franks' anxious parents to try and persuade their errant son to return home. George would have turned the case down flat but the offer of a free weekend's bird watching was too tempting to resist. Now, he must unhappily shoulder the burden of finding why the young man had been murdered. Who hated Franks enough to kill him? Almost everyone, it seems . . .

Bird Watching for Boozers Stephen Molineux 2010-04-19 This is a story of a college kid who joins his alcoholic novelist-wannabe father Mole Molineux and his cast of oddball friends Suitcase, Beans, and Josh Keenanas they embark on a booze- and drug-filled bird-watching expedition through Pennsylvania and New Jersey. They jam to Creedence, ride a pony, find a pig in a blanket, preach the gospel to turkeys, and teach an Asian Brothel the wonders of Old Yeller as they head to the World Series of Birding. An offbeat coming-of-age tale about drinking, birding, and finding your place in the world.

How to Find a Bird Jennifer Ward 2020-08-04 A joyful and informative guide to birdwatching for budding young birders from an award-winning author-illustrator duo. How do you find a bird? There are so many ways! Begin by watching. And listening. And staying quiet, so quiet you can hear your own heartbeat. Soon you'll see that there are birds everywhere—up in the sky, down on the ground, sometimes even right in front of you just waiting to be discovered! Young bird lovers will adore this lushly illustrated introduction to how to spot and observe our feathered friends. It features more than fifty different species, from the giant whooping crane to the tiny ruby-throated hummingbird, and so many in between, and a detailed author's note provides even more information about birding for curious readers. This celebration of the wondrous variety, colors, and sounds of the avian world is sure to have children grabbing their binoculars and heading outside to explore.

The Birdman's Wife Melissa Ashley 2016-10-01 A woman overshadowed by history steps back into the light . . . Artist Elizabeth Gould spent her life capturing the sublime beauty of birds the world had never seen before. But her legacy was eclipsed by the fame of her husband, John Gould. The Birdman's Wife at last gives voice to a passionate and adventurous spirit who was so much more than the woman behind the man. Elizabeth was a woman ahead of her time, juggling the demands of her artistic life with her roles as wife, lover, helpmate, and mother to an ever-growing brood of children. In a golden age of discovery, her artistry breathed wondrous life into hundreds of exotic new species, including Charles Darwin's famous Galapagos finches. In *The Birdman's Wife*, the naïve young girl who falls in love with a demanding and ambitious genius comes into her own as a woman, an artist and a bold adventurer who defies convention by embarking on a trailblazing expedition to collect and illustrate Australia's 'curious' birdlife. In this indelible portrait, an extraordinary woman overshadowed by history steps back into the light where she belongs.

Bird Watch Christie Matheson 2019-02-26 From the author of the acclaimed *Tap the Magic Tree!* Search for hidden birds and count them, too, in this seek-and-find picture book with a satisfying surprise. Delicate artwork, a focus on counting, and an engaging treasure hunt will entice fans of Janell Cannon's *Stellaluna* and Steve Light's *Have You Seen My Dragon?* There are treasures hiding in the trees! Can you find them? From the author of the acclaimed and bestselling *Tap the Magic Tree*, this stunning picture book merges basic math concepts with elements of a treasure hunt. With different species of birds and other forest animals hiding in the trees and bushes, there is something new to discover on every page. Patience is rewarded as readers learn to count backward from ten, meet new birds, and learn about the diverse ecosystem of the forest. Beautiful watercolor-and-collage art, a playful counting text, and a search-and-find theme will

inspire children and parents to return to Bird Watch again and again. And for curious young birders, a page of information about bird-watching and the different birds that appear in the book is included.

Bird Watchers Record Book Stephanie Robinson 2016-10-12 The Bird Watchers Record Book is a place to record your sightings. This handy book is easy to carry and a nice reference for anytime you want to recall comments about past sightings. Most of the information you care to remember about each bird can be detailed on one of over 100 pages with extra room for comments. The section titled: "Bird Log" has enough space to list over 85 bird watching sightings. Keep organized with the Bird Watchers Record Book. Buy for yourself or give to that Bird Watching person you know who will surely appreciate the gift.

Birdwatching Journal Patricia Larson 2020-05-17 This Bird Watching Journal is a perfect way to capture all your birding thoughts, report sightings and keep track while you're out watching birds.

The Bird Watching Answer Book Laura Erickson 2009 A professional bird scientist answers real-life questions that people have sent to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology providing informative and answers on such subjects as migration, quirks and curiosities, common myths, and how to keep birds healthy.

A Birdwatchers' Guide to Turkey Ian Green 1995 A birding site guide with lists of species to be seen in Turkey, best visiting times and seasonal variations, plus concise information needed to make your trip a success.

Fuck Off I'm Bird Watching a Bird Watching Journal BirdLife Essentials 2020-12-15 :Birding Log Book For Birders And Bird Watcher Gifts For Ornithologists With Journal Prompts Funny Bird Watching Journal Notebook for Birders and Bird Watchers 100 log book style pages with prompts to record bird species, description, weather and taking notes to name a few Convenient 6" x 9" size to fit in purse or backpack Soft cover with sturdy matte finish Fun gift idea for bird lovers, bird watchers or ornithology fans! Do you have a new hobby of bird watching or ornithology? Are you easily distracted by birds? Then this birding gift for women or men is the perfect bird lover gift! Pair these bird lover gifts for women with a bird watching book for beginners for a gift! Pair these funny birding Gifts with a birding mug or birding binoculars for adults for an epic ornithology gift basket for him, her, mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, wife or husband. These Christmas bird watcher gifts for kids are great to say I like birds.

The Birdwatcher William Shaw 2017-06-27 Police Sergeant William South has a good reason to shy away from murder investigations: he is a murderer himself. A methodical, diligent, and exceptionally bright detective, South is an avid birdwatcher and trusted figure in his small town on the rugged Kentish coast. He also lives with the deeply buried secret that, as a child in Northern Ireland, he may have killed a man. When a fellow birdwatcher is found murdered in his remote home, South's world flips. The culprit seems to be a drifter from South's childhood; the victim was the only person connecting South to his early crime; and a troubled, vivacious new female sergeant has been relocated from London and assigned to work with South. As our hero investigates, he must work ever-harder to keep his own connections to the victim, and his past, a secret. *The Birdwatcher* is British crime fiction at its finest; a stirring portrait of flawed, vulnerable investigators; a meticulously constructed mystery; and a primal story of fear, loyalty and vengeance. **Longlisted for the Theakston Old Peculier Crime Novel of the Year

The Birdwatcher's Wife Gayle Smith Padgett 2021-09-18 Amazon Print version. Living la belle vie in Provence is a dream come true for American expats Gayle and Ralph. But their tranquil world is turned upside-down when serious birdwatcher Ralph suggests a year-long quest to find 200 bird species in France. The eat-preen-love life cycle of birds does not fascinate Gayle, but an off-the-beaten-track adventure does. Ancient hilltop villages, vibrant outdoor markets, and delectable delicacies await! Aware that the mission is powered by passion and protective of their relationship, she insists Ralph go slow and savor the experience. He agrees ? but is it a promise he can keep? They'll crisscross the country, from the Mediterranean to the English Channel, the Pyrenees to the Alps. Mother Nature's mighty forces, heart-

pounding alpine roads, and mosquito-ridden marshes challenge their resolve. However, France's natural beauty, captivating culture, and astounding birdlife lead the way ... to discoveries that surprise them both.

Birds of a Feather Colin Rees 2014-05-28 In *Birds of a Feather*, an informative and beautifully illustrated book, Colin Rees and Derek Thomas portray the changing seasons in the UK and US, bringing their observations together with some startling results. With images by artists Robert Gillmor and Ian Rees, the book will appeal to anyone with an interest in birds and their future in North America and the UK. Exploding flocks of Snow Geese rising from icy fields; the arrival of the osprey; the harmonies of the dawn chorus; migrating waders racing south before the surf – these are but a few moments evoking the sights, sounds and colours of the passing seasons observed and recorded over a year by two experienced ornithologists living on both sides of the Atlantic. In the context of their gardens, neighbourhoods and in larger landscapes, Colin Rees and Derek Thomas provide a month by month account of their birding year, commenting upon what they see and hear. They also consider how our world is radically changing the lives of birds. *Birds of a Feather* celebrates the gentle patter of raindrops, the scent and luminescence of spring, swallows of an evening and the first flight of young ospreys. They take the reader on walks through grasslands, forests, marshes, estuaries and along coasts and describe the effects of changing weather on flora and fauna, the unfolding of the breeding season, bird counts, the character of birders and bird organizations in the US and UK. They also address the challenge of conservation in the modern world. Over 45 million people consider themselves bird watchers in the US and 20 million watch birds in the UK making this book appealing to bird watchers on both sides of the Atlantic. Advanced praise for *Birds of a Feather* ‘The joys of the seasons are deep in our souls. Gilbert White’s classic *The Natural History of Selborne* shared his astute diaries of nature’s calendar. Edwin Way Teale’s acclaimed books on the American Seasons inspired a generation of naturalists on this side of the pond’. *Birds of a Feather* now engages us in much the same way through the superior powers of observation and charming prose of two pals, here and there.’ – Frank Gill, formerly Philadelphia Academy of Sciences and Vice-President, Science, National Audubon Society. ‘*Birds of a Feather* is a poignant and moving reminder of how experiences of wildlife can grip the human soul and linger in our memories. Two friends thousands of miles apart share with us moments they will never forget. Their consciousness of, and love for, the natural world brings even the most unexpected places to life.’ – Stephanie Hilborne OBE, Chief Executive The Wildlife Trusts. ‘This book will be a great read for birders from either side of the Atlantic who normally experience the birds of the “other side” through short trips during peak seasons. The book provides a flavour of the year-round diversity of species and habitats through the eyes of two experienced birders who understand how seasonal change drives the bird movements that make birding so much fun. The trans-Atlantic comparisons of two amazing birding locations throughout the year make this an even more compelling read.’ – Mike Parr, Vice President for Program Development, American Bird Conservancy ‘The annual rhythms of nature provide a ceaseless flow of variety and change to our natural environment that stimulate and inspire us, wherever we live. Observing birds is surely one of the most engaging ways to enjoy the year’s natural cycle, with bird migrations each spring and autumn delivering the colour and sounds of the tropics and the Arctic directly to us. *Birds of a Feather* takes us, via delightful personal accounts, through the ornithological year on both sides of the Atlantic, juxtaposing the rich coastal plain of the Chesapeake Bay with the rocky coast, plains and mountains of South Wales. Along the way are valuable reminders that birds in both regions, and across the globe, are at risk from a similar array of threats, including habitat loss, pollution, and climate change.’ – David Curson, Director of Bird Conservation, Audubon Maryland-DC ‘This delightful dialogue, back and forth across the Atlantic Ocean, demonstrates that wildlife is a shared pleasure wherever we live.’ – Mark Avery, former Head of Conservation at RSPB, now a freelance environmental consultant and journalist. The book features illustrations by Robert Gillmor (cover art) and Ian Rees (interior illustrations) Robert Gillmor is an English

artist, ornithologist and illustrator and one of the founders of the Society of Wildlife Artists of which he is a past president. He has contributed to over 100 books, is a 2001 recipient of the medal from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and his work is the subject of numerous museum collections. He recently designed seven sets of Royal Mail postage stamps and over many years has designed many of the book jackets for the New Naturalist Library in the U.K, published by Collins.

The Birdwatchers Simon James 2002 Intrigued by her granddad's stories of what happens when he goes birdwatching, Jess decides to accompany him one day.

Pete Dunne on Bird Watching Pete Dunne 2003 The noted bird expert provides an authoritative introduction to the world of birding, outlining the tools and techniques of birdwatching, ten simple keys to bird identification, the art of birding by sound and by scope, how to locate difficult to find birds, and more. Original.

Fuck Off I'm Bird Watching a Bird Watching Journal BirdLife Essentials 2020-10-23 *Fuck Off I'm Bird Watching A Bird Watching Journal: Birding Log Book For Birders And Bird Watcher Gifts For Ornithologists With Journal Prompts Funny Bird Watching Journal Notebook for Birders and Bird Watchers* 100 log book style pages with prompts to record bird species, description, weather and taking notes to name a few Convenient 6" x 9" size to fit in purse or backpack Soft cover with sturdy matte finish Fun gift idea for bird lovers, bird watchers or ornithology fans! Do you have a new hobby of bird watching or ornithology? Are you easily distracted by birds? Then this birding gift for women or men is the perfect bird lover gift! Pair these bird lover gifts for women with a bird watching book for beginners for a gift! Pair these funny birding Gifts with a birding mug or birding binoculars for adults for an epic ornithology gift basket for him, her, mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, wife or husband. These Christmas bird watcher gifts for kids are great to say I like birds.

Bird Watcher Log Book Hayden Macfarland 2021-04-20 Whether you're new to birding or an experienced bird watcher, having a journal to record every bird species you spot is the perfect companion for any bird watching enthusiasts! This Bird Sightings Book is a great tool for birdwatchers. This notebook has ample space to record your observations of over 100 birds. Get ready to take your binoculars and visit your favorite bird watching area with this Bird Sightings Book which has been created to help you to record your sightings, list the species you have found and improve your birdwatching skills! Buy one for any experienced birders, casual bird watchers and anyone you know who enjoys watching our avian friends! Features: Beautiful and Unique Cover Design on Sturdy Card Stock Compact 6" x 9" Size - Perfect for Taking With You When You Go Bird Watching 117 Pages on High-Quality Paper Makes a Perfect Gift for Your Bird Loving Friend For more journals, logs, planners, or notebooks like these, click on the author's name just below the title!

Bird Count Susan Edwards Richmond 2021-10-05 The National Audubon Society's annual Christmas Bird Count stars in this charming picture book, just right for young community scientists, bird watchers, and nature aficionados. A young girl and her mother participate as community scientists in the Christmas Bird Count. The girl is excited when Big Al, the leader of their team, asks her to record the tally this year. Using her most important tools—her eyes and ears—she eagerly identifies and counts the birds they observe on their assigned route around town. She and her team follow the rules, noting the time of day, the habitat, the birding ID techniques used for each sighting. Finally, they meet up with the other teams in the area to combine their totals for a Christmas Bird Count party and share stories about their observations. Sidebars tally up the birds they observe and record. This book introduces young readers to birdwatching with simple explanations of birdwatching techniques and clear descriptions of bird habitats. Stephanie Fizer Coleman's charming illustrations add color and context to a joyful story that's sure to inspire the nature lover in everyone. Back matter includes more information about all the birds featured in the book and about the Christmas Bird Count, the nation's longest-running community science bird project. Capitol Choices Noteworthy Books for Children and Teens Parents' Choice Silver Honor Award Mathical Honor Award International Literacy Association Primary Fiction Award

Look Up! 2019-02-05 A 2014 Robert F. Sibert Honor Book You don't have to own binoculars and know a bunch of fancy Latin names to watch birds! No matter where you live, they're in your neighborhood -- just look up. This conversational, humorous introduction to bird-watching encourages kids to get outdoors with a sketchbook and really look around. Quirky full-color illustrations portray dozens of birds chatting about their distinctive characteristics, including color, shape, plumage, and beak and foot types, while tongue-in-cheek cartoons feature banter between birds, characters, and the reader ("Here I am, the noble spruce grouse. In a spruce grove. Eatin' some spruce. Yep."). Interactive and enjoyable tips bring an age-old hobby to new life for the next generation of bird-watchers. Back matter includes a bibliography, an index, and bird-watching tips.

Bird Watch Jane Yolen 2014-05-30 Celebrating an activity that is companionable as well as scientific and that fosters a special bond with the natural world, Yolen presents 17 melodious evocations of particular species....A book to bring nature and poetry lovers together.- --Kirkus Reviews

Menu from the Midi Colin Duncan Taylor 2021-09-28 Menu from the Midi explores French gastronomy from the farmer's field to the dining room table. Concentrating on the South of France, the book is structured as a menu carefully compiled to give the reader a balanced diet of gastronomy, history, legend and local colour. Uniquely, it adds into this mix a celebration of the dedicated and passionate people who produce some of the finest raw ingredients and foodstuffs you are ever likely to taste. Appreciating good food and wine needs the right ambiance, the right company and plenty of time. Sit back, relax and savour the oldest sparkling wine in the world, le Rolls-Royce of olives, pink garlic soup, meats of the black Gascon pig, the legendary cassoulet, cheese from the caves of Roquefort, and learn how the Midi's ornate pigeon towers ensured a constant supply of roast pigeon. No wonder the father of food journalism and gastronomic guides, Grimod de La Reynière, had this to say 200 years ago: 'In good towns of the Midi, a great dinner is an affair of state. One speaks of it three months beforehand and digesting it lasts six weeks.'

Hi! My Name is Robin!: A Young Bird Watcher Book

2020-07-07 Pamela Slaughter loves the hats she wears. She works full-time as a Realtor in Portland, OR. Slaughter is also the Founder of People of Color Outdoors, which is a non-profit created to provide Black, Indigenous and other people of color in Oregon a safe way to enjoy nature. She is writing a series of books about some of her favorite birds and other wildlife, beginning the the American Robin. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of each book is contributed to People of Color Outdoors. Slaughter can be reached at pam@pdxpocoutdoors.com.

Bird Watching Log Book Birds & Birders Publishing 2019-07-04 Get ready to take your binoculars and visit your favorite bird watching area with this birding journal which has been created to help you to record your sightings, list the species you have found and improve your birdwatching skills. This 125 pages journal (6"x9") includes: an index to find back your favorite species pages to write down every details about your bird watching session (date, location, weather, comments, etc.) log pages to list all the species observed, describe their behaviours and remember which techniques were used at the moment This journal makes a great gift for any bird watcher or bird lover.

A Guide to the Birds of East Africa Nicholas Drayson 2009-09-10 "A charming love triangle in Nairobi, Kenya, forms the center of a novel that manages to be both sweet and gripping." —Publishers Weekly For the past three years, Mr. Malik, a widower and avid birdwatcher, has been secretly in love with Rose Mbikwa, the lovely woman who leads the Tuesday morning bird walk sponsored by the East African Ornithological Society. Beneath his unassuming exterior and carefully sculpted comb-over lies a warm and passionate heart. But just as he gets up the nerve to ask Rose to the annual Nairobi Hunt Club Ball—Nairobi's social event of the season—a boyhood nemesis arrives and becomes equally enraptured with Rose. Rather than force her to choose between them, the two men agree to a clever solution: whoever can identify the most species of birds in one week's time will win the privilege of asking Ms. Mbikwa to the ball. Set against a lush Kenyan landscape rich with wildlife and

political intrigue, this humorous novel is a "welcome respite from our crazy world" (USA Today). "This charming novel . . . If you are a fan of Alexander McCall Smith's, you'll find Drayson's knowing, sprightly writing just as entertaining." —People "[This book is] a sheer delight for birders and nonbirders alike."

—Minneapolis Star-Tribune "As bright and perky as a purple-backed sunbird." —TheNew York Times Book Review
How to be a Bad Birdwatcher Simon Barnes 2011-11-03 Look out of the window. See a bird. Enjoy it. Congratulations. You are now a bad birdwatcher. Anyone who has ever gazed up at the sky or stared out of the window knows something about birds. In this funny, inspiring, eye-opening book, Simon Barnes paints a riveting picture of how bird-watching has framed his life and can help us all to a better understanding of our place on this planet. How to be a bad birdwatcher shows why birdwatching is not the preserve of twitchers, but one of the simplest, cheapest and most rewarding pastimes around.

Bird Watching Log Book Desired Creatives Log Books 2019-12-21 Looking for a great gift idea for friends and family? Do you love watching and recording your bird sightings throughout the year? This Bird Watching Log Book is sure to please and make the perfect Christmas or birthday present for men or women who love birds. 104 page count, 8.5" x 11" Pages are provided for you to record each bird sighting and also sketch or post a picture of the bird(s). In front of the log is a Bird Index so you can organize and keep track of which birds you have seen. Makes a great gift for birders!

The Bedside Book of Birds Graeme Gibson 2021-03-30 In this stunning assemblage of words and images, novelist and avid birdwatcher Graeme Gibson has crafted an extraordinary tribute to the venerable relationship between humans and birds. Birds have ever been the symbols of our highest aspirations. As divine messengers, symbols of our yearning for the heavens, or avatars of glorious song and colour, they have stirred our imaginations from the moment we first looked into the sky. Whether as the Christian dove, or Quetzalcoatl--the Aztec Plumed Serpent--or in Plato's vision of the human soul growing wings and feathers, religion and philosophy have looked to birds as representatives of our better selves--that part of us not bound to the earth. With the passion of a birdwatcher and hoarder of words, Gibson has spent fifteen years collecting the literary and artistic forms our affinity for birds has taken over the centuries. Birds appear again and again in mythology and folk tales, and in literature by writers as diverse as Ovid, Thomas Hardy, Kafka, Thoreau and T.S. Eliot. They've been omens, allegories, disguises and guides; they've been worshipped, eaten, feared and loved. Nor does Gibson forget the fascination they hold for science, as the Galapagos finches did for Darwin. Birds figure charmingly and tellingly in the work of such nature writers as Gilbert White, Peter Matthiessen, Farley Mowat and Barry Lopez. Gorgeously illustrated, woven from centuries of human response to the delights of the feathered tribes, *The Bedside Book of Birds* is for anyone who is aware of birds, and for everyone who is intrigued by the artistic forms that humanity has created to represent its soul. From *The Bedside Book of Birds* ~ Stevenson remembered the story of a monk who had been distracted from his copy-work by the song of a bird. He went into the garden to listen more closely, and when he returned, after what he thought were only a few minutes, he discovered that a century had gone by, that his fellow monks were dead and his ink had turned to dust. The song of the bird had given him a taste of Paradise, where an instant is as a hundred years of earthly time. Was the same true of time in hell, Stevenson asked himself. Alberto Manguel

Bill Oddie's Little Black Bird Book Bill Oddie 2014-12-08 'Bird-watchers are tense, competitive, selfish, shifty, dishonest, distrusting, boorish, pedantic, unsentimental, arrogant and - above all - envious'. So says Bill Oddie, and he should know! It's a tough environment out there on marsh and moorland, and this scurrilous little classic is a must for all devoted birders and twitchers (and as Bill relates, there is a mighty difference!). With years of hard-earned experience, Bill dares to say all the things that other b's and t's will recognize as true but which they have never dared to own up or admit to, even to themselves. Whether discussing the birds he's seen, the birds that got away, equipment, apparel, sightings, cock-ups, places to visit or people

to avoid, Bill's enthusiasm is infectious, and his knowledge unsurpassed. This little black book is one item that no serious birdwatcher can afford to leave out of the rucksack, and it will prove an essential companion when trudging the estuaries and riverbanks, in torrential rain and gusty gale in search of that elusive rare beauty.

Bird Watching Journal Independently Published 2021-03-18 this log book is perfect for bird watchers or birdwatching lovers clear, and easy to use, well organized. Enjoy a variety of options for recording your favorite moments: Note which birds you see, and when and where you see them Document the birds eating at your feeder Compare first arrivals from year to year Keep track of your life list and other checklists Whether you're a beginning bird watcher or a seasoned birder, this beautiful journal--with its sophisticated art and elegant style--is a book you'll use again and again.

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