

## The Bird Photography Field The Essential Handbook For Capturing Birds With Your Digital Slr

Whether one photographs songbirds in the backyard, or travels to wildlife refuges to observe them in their natural habitat, this hands-on guide to capturing gorgeous images of avian subjects covers all the bases, from buying the right camera equipment to composing the perfect picture.

"Mark's enthusiasm for the natural world and photography is contagious! A must read." - Matt in Florida "An easy read filled with valuable bird photography tips and techniques I wish I knew years ago." - Betty in Alabama "The color illustrations and beautiful bird photographs made everything so much easier to understand." - Phil in the UK "I just wanted to say thank you for making photography fun, inspiring and exciting. Your book has helped me capture some great images." Marv down under in Australia Bird photography is a fun, exciting and highly addictive hobby overflowing with magical opportunities just waiting to be captured by anyone holding a camera! It doesn't matter if that camera is an entry level point and shoot, a cell phone or an advanced high megapixel DSLR with a monster zoom lens. With camera in hand, you now have the ability to pause time, take a step back and really see what our incredible world has to offer. Avid birder and wildlife photographer Mark Smith takes you under his wing and shows you how to start capturing your own breathtaking images of birds by explaining everything you need to know about bird photography in an easy to understand conversational tone that makes sense out of the often confusing jargon of the photography world. Filled with personal stories that demonstrate crucial bird photography facts and overflowing with beautiful bird images that not only inspire but also include all relevant camera settings used to capture them. You will soon be wondering why you aren't spending all of your free time putting birds in the viewfinder of your camera. Learn valuable birding information like: locating and approaching birds, why birds provide endless opportunities, birding etiquette, what time of the day is best for bird photography, flyways and migration and how weather can influence your odds of locating more birds. Discover field techniques that take your bird photography to the next level. Learn how to choose the best camera, lenses and tripods for bird photography. Fully understand artistic composition techniques like: Framing the shot, Leading Lines, Depth of Field, Texture, Patterns, The Rule of Thirds, Negative Space, The Golden Ratio and more. Learn how to master your camera by fully understanding priority shooting modes and when to use them. Take control of your photography by knowing exactly how aperture, shutter speed and ISO affect light and your incredible bird photographs. Full color illustrations make these often confusing concepts simple to understand. This bird photography book teaches you all of this information and so much more while at the same time encouraging you to get outside and explore our incredible planet all while having fun. "I created this book for a very simple reason: to share my passion for finding and photographing amazing birds with people from all over the world. It doesn't matter if you want to capture incredible images with a cell phone, an entry level point and shoot camera or a high dollar camera with a massive zoom lens. Bird photography is something anyone can do." - Mark Smith

"This ... celebration of birds from around the world unites ... animal portraits from Joel Sartore's ... National Geographic Photo Ark project with ... text by up-and-coming birder Noah Strycker. It includes hundreds of species, from tiny finches to charismatic eagles; brilliant toucans, intricate birds of paradise, and perennial favorites such as parrots, hummingbirds, and owls also make colorful appearances"--Amazon.com.

From High Point State Park to Cape May Point, New Jersey is home to an amazing diversity of bird species. More than 375 types of birds nest in the dozens of state parks, forests, and natural areas created by local, state, and national authorities, including the centimeters-long ruby-throated hummingbird and large raptors such as the bald eagle. This guide to the Garden State's birds features 235 bird species in their natural habitats, presented in stunning color photographs complemented by detailed information on their habitats, birdsongs, and tips on when and where to see them. The birds are organized by species for quick reference, and the book includes a complete state bird guide and a directory of birding destinations. This is an excellent resource for birdwatchers and nature enthusiasts who want to learn more about New Jersey's natural history and the diversity of its birds.

This updated field guide, organized by color, features full-color photographs and information to help readers easily identify California birds.

An award-winning nature and wildlife photographer shares his secrets for creating stunning close-up photographs of dozens of bird species, covering everything from how to select the right equipment, to how to stalk or lure different birds until one has the perfect shot, to taking a great picture despite different lighting or weather effects. Original.

From the renowned author of the New York Times best seller *The Sibley Guide to Birds*, a comprehensive, beautifully illustrated guide to identifying birds in the field. *Sibley's Birding Basics* is an essential companion for birders of all skill and experience levels. With Sibley as your guide, learn how to interpret what the feathers, the anatomical structure, the sounds of a bird tell you. When you know the clues that show you why there's no such thing as, for example, "just a duck" birding will be more fun, and more meaningful. An essential addition to the Sibley shelf! *The Sibley Guide to Birds* and *The Sibley Guide to Bird Life and Behavior* are both universally acclaimed as the new standard source of species information. And now David Sibley, America's premier birder and best-known bird artist, turns his attention to the general characteristics that influence the appearance of all birds, unlocking the clues to their identity. In 200 beautifully rendered illustrations and 16 essays, this scientifically precise volume distills the essence of Sibley's own experience and skills, providing a solid introduction to "naming" the birds. *Birding Basics* reviews how one can get started as a birder—the equipment necessary, where and when to go birding, and perhaps most important, the essential things to look for when birds appear in the field—as well as the basic concepts of bird identification and the variations that can change the appearance of a bird over time or in different settings. Sibley also provides critical information on the aspects of avian life that differ from species to species: feathers (color, arrangement, shape, molt), behavior and habitat, and sounds.

In this beautifully illustrated book, acclaimed nature photographer Scott Joshua Dere gives bird lovers and photographers the tools they need to find and document raptors in their natural habitats. There are many types of raptors to be seen,

and each can be identified by its size, colouration, habitat/location, and flight style. As this book reveals in incredible detail, the experience of seeing these birds in action is exciting and unforgettable - and their aerial acrobats in particular can stretch the imagination of what is actually possible in the natural world.

The “fascinating” #1 New York Times bestseller that awakened the world to the destruction of American Indians in the nineteenth-century West (The Wall Street Journal). First published in 1970, *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee* generated shockwaves with its frank and heartbreaking depiction of the systematic annihilation of American Indian tribes across the western frontier. In this nonfiction account, Dee Brown focuses on the betrayals, battles, and massacres suffered by American Indians between 1860 and 1890. He tells of the many tribes and their renowned chiefs—from Geronimo to Red Cloud, Sitting Bull to Crazy Horse—who struggled to combat the destruction of their people and culture. Forcefully written and meticulously researched, *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee* inspired a generation to take a second look at how the West was won. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Dee Brown including rare photos from the author’s personal collection.

The Art of Bird Photography The Complete Guide to Professional Field Techniques Amphoto Books

Bird photography is one of the most challenging genres of photography, and can test even modern high-specification cameras to their limits. This practical book guides you through both how to understand your camera and how to develop your own style and approach. With technical, practical and creative insights throughout, it also emphasizes the importance of fieldcraft and understanding your subject. The book advises on cameras and equipment, explains the importance of light and composition, encourages experimentation and a creative approach, suggests project ideas and locations and demonstrates post-capture processing. This practical book helps you master the challenges of photographing birds and to capture their beauty, flight and behaviour and will be of great interest to bird photographers, bird enthusiasts, artists and ornithologists. Beautifully illustrated with 160 stunning colour images.

This beautiful book accompanies a new photographic competition celebrating some of the best bird photography of the year. The Bird Photographer of the Year competition celebrates the artistry of bird photography, and this large-format book is lavishly illustrated to reflect this. A celebration of avian beauty and diversity, it is a tribute to both the dedication and passion of the photographers as well as a reflection of the quality of today's modern digital imaging systems. The book includes the winning and short-listed images from the competition, now in its fifth year, showcasing some of the finest bird photography from around the world. A proportion of the profits from the book goes directly to the BTO to support their conservation work. The advent of digital technology has revolutionised photography in recent years, and the book brings to life some of the most stunning bird photography currently on offer. It features a vast variety of photographs

by hardened pros, keen amateurs and hobbyists alike, reflecting the huge diversity of bird enthusiasts and nature lovers which is so important in ensuring their conservation and survival.

Learn the Art of Bird Photography is a comprehensive field guide to bird photography - so you can create beautiful bird images. Bird photography can be difficult, but with this book, you will learn how to make it easier, and you'll learn how to be more successful and create beautiful images. This book contains more information about bird photography techniques than any other book on the market today. There are comprehensive chapters on: how to set up your camera for bird photography, how to master your camera and settings, the best settings for photographing birds in flight for beginners and intermediate photographers, practice sessions at the end of each chapter so you'll master the concepts and techniques quickly, the basics of light, composition, exposure, depth of field, how to get the best point of view, and how to get sharp photos. There's a complete list of the bird photography hot spots in North America by week, so you'll know where and when to go! This book is designed to make you successful in your quest to photograph birds and create stunning bird images Tim Boyer is a graduate of the Seattle Audubon Master Birder Program, an award-winning photographer, an experienced instructor and bird photography workshop leader.

A visually rich selection of the finest bird photography from around the world, presented by renowned ornithologist David Allen Sibley and sourced from Instagram's inspiring photographer community We love birds, but they can be tricky to photograph. Enter the expert avian photographers of Instagram who are uploading astounding captures of beauty and wit to be viewed on your phone screen. Posting from all corners of the globe, this new generation of image-makers has raised the bar and then some with their technically brilliant, characterful portraits. But on small screens, a good many subtle features are hard to take in. This book showcases Instagram's gorgeous bird photography in breathtaking detail, alongside text from renowned ornithologist David Allen Sibley. The images are featured with anecdotes and technical details, always with name, location, and of course, Instagram account, for further bird joy, providing insight and guidance to bird enthusiasts and aspiring photographers alike. Contributors: Oleg Alexeyev, @oleg\_alexeyev\_photo (600+ followers) Ganesh Balakrishnan, @the\_lord\_of\_the\_light (1.2k followers) Glenn Bartley, @bartleys\_photo\_workshops (9.2k followers) Kevin Biskaborn, @kevinbiskaborn (25.3k followers) Peter Brannon, @peter.brannon (12.5k followers) Drew Buckley, @drewbphotography (7.4k followers) Digvijay Chaugle, @\_birdboy\_ (4.5k followers) Vincent Chiang, @vincent\_ckx (1.8k followers) Greg Christoph, @gregxoph (2.7k followers) John Crawley, @jc\_wings (126k followers) Mark Eastment, @markeastmentphotography (1.3k followers) Jess Findlay, @jessfindlay (40k followers) Elijah Gildea, @elijahs\_photography (27.6k followers) Heinrich Human, @heinrich\_human (745 followers) Vishesh Kamboj, @visheshkambojj (3.3k followers) Ben Knoot, @benknoot (47.6k followers) Robert Kreinz, @rkreinz (10.6k followers)

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Photography: Birds explains how to photograph birds--whether in your backyard or at a birding destination--detailing unique issues that confront photographers of all levels and providing the best guidance for capturing the beauty and splendor of our feathered friends. Gerrit Vyn, an award-winning bird photographer, videographer, and sound recorder, has become renowned for his ability to capture birds, especially for the prestigious Cornell Lab of Ornithology. In this new guide, he reveals his methods and shares how to photograph birds based on location, behavior, identification, and storytelling. Vyn details the range of technical considerations, giving clear instruction and advice, as well as the creative decisions a photographer must make on lighting, framing, timing, and motion. He also discusses situations unique to bird photographers: dealing with habituated or tame birds, approaching feeders, utilizing blinds, and more. Once captured, digital images can be digitally refined, so Vyn delves into the procedures that elevate an image from mundane to striking, using Adobe Lightroom. Throughout, Vyn emphasizes an ethical approach to observing and interacting with the birds around us.

The Handbook of Bird Photography distills the knowledge, talent, and experience of three well-known professional wildlife photographers into one beautifully illustrated volume. Written in a manner that is easy to understand, this book offers fresh insight and practical tips that will broaden horizons for nature and bird photographers. The authors share their stories showcasing photographs for which they have received awards in major international wildlife photo competitions. In this book, you'll learn about all of the elements that lead to a great bird photograph, including: The bird photographer's equipment Shooting techniques: exposure, focus, how to show movement and freeze action, etc. In the field: bird behavior, hides, and how to attract birds How to use light and compose and crop images The best sites for finding and photographing birds You'll also learn how to show, share, promote, and sell your photographs. Bird photography is a brilliant way to spend your free time, and for some it's a career. This book helps beginners get the hang of things quickly and accurately, and offers field-specific expertise for more experienced photographers.

Presents a guide to the photography of birds, discussing photo equipment, the use of blinds, feeders, and perches, tips for attracting birds, and instructions for ten projects for camera setups.

This book is for everyone who wants to take better bird photographs. It shows you how to photograph unobtrusively in intimate contact with your subjects whether they are in your backyard, in the woods, on the water, or at the end of the street. Full-color photos.

Learn to Identify Birds in Ohio! Make bird watching even more enjoyable. With Ohio's best-selling bird guide, field identification is simple and informative. There's no need to look through dozens of photos of birds that don't live in your area. This book features 124 species of Ohio birds organized by color for ease of use. Do you see a yellow bird and don't know what it is? Go to the yellow section to find out. Crisp, stunning full-page photographs present the species as you'll see them in nature, and a "compare" feature helps you to decide between look-alikes. Plus, Stan Tekiela's naturalist notes feature fascinating tidbits and facts. This new edition includes 12 new species, updated photographs and range maps, expanded information, and even more of Stan's expert insights. So grab *Birds of Ohio Field Guide* for your next birding adventure—to help ensure that you positively identify the birds that you see.

"Unforgettable. . . . An outstanding adventure in its lyrical, utterly compelling, and heartbreaking investigations of the world of diamond smuggling." —Aimee Nezhukumatathil For nearly eighty years, a huge portion of coastal South Africa was closed off to the public. With many of its pits now deemed "overmined" and abandoned, American journalist Matthew Gavin Frank sets out across the infamous Diamond Coast to investigate an illicit trade that supplies a global market. Immediately, he became intrigued by the ingenious methods used in facilitating smuggling?particularly, the illegal act of sneaking carrier pigeons onto mine property, affixing diamonds to their feet, and sending them into the air. Entering Die Sperrgebiet ("The Forbidden Zone") is like entering an eerie ghost town, but Frank is surprised by the number of people willing—even eager—to talk with him. Soon he meets Msizi, a young diamond digger, and his pigeon, Bartholomew, who helps him steal diamonds. It's a deadly game: pigeons are shot on sight by mine security, and Msizi knows of smugglers who have disappeared because of their crimes. For this, Msizi blames "Mr. Lester," an evil tall-tale figure of mythic proportions. From the mining towns of Alexander Bay and Port Nolloth, through the "halfway" desert, to Kleinzee's shores littered with shipwrecks, Frank investigates a long overlooked story. Weaving interviews with local diamond miners who raise pigeons in secret with harrowing anecdotes from former heads of security, environmental managers, and vigilante pigeon hunters, Frank reveals how these feathered bandits became outlaws in every mining town. Interwoven throughout this obsessive quest are epic legends in which pigeons and diamonds intersect, such as that of Krishna's famed diamond Koh-i-Noor, the Mountain of Light, and that of the Cherokee serpent Uktena. In these strange connections, where truth forever tangles with the lore of centuries past, Frank is able to contextualize the personal grief that sent him, with his wife Louisa in the passenger seat, on this enlightening journey across parched lands. Blending elements of reportage, memoir, and incantation, *Flight of the Diamond Smugglers* is a rare and remarkable portrait of exploitation and greed in one of the most

dangerous areas of coastal South Africa. With his sovereign prose and insatiable curiosity, Matthew Gavin Frank “reminds us that the world is a place of wonder if only we look” (Toby Muse).

This delightful and dramatic collection of portraits reveals birds of prey as we never experience them: intimate and up close, photographed in Traer Scott's signature style. Seventy spectacular color photos present twenty-five different species, from the familiar to the exotic and endangered: hawks, owls, falcons, a bald eagle, kestrels, a Mississippi Kite, a turkey vulture, and more. Joining their elders are a fluffy baby vulture and adorable baby and juvenile great horned owls. The birds in this remarkable collection emerge as personalities, not just types: wise and quizzical, graceful and enigmatic, serene and fiercely self-possessed. A personal introduction describes Scott's process and connection to the birds, and captions detail the characteristics and habits of these incredible winged creatures.

An intimate blend of personal field notes, rich natural history, and stunning photographs in the wild, this perfect holiday book for all bird-watchers provides an in-depth look at two of our most iconic--and important-- bird species. Great for photography lovers, conservationists and backyard enthusiasts alike, it includes an overview map of habitats and a foreword by award-winning artist and writer Tony Angell. Every wild place and urban area in North America hosts an owl or a woodpecker species, while healthy natural places often boast representatives of both. The diversity of these two families of birds, and the ways in which they define and enrich the ecosystems they inhabit, are the subject of this vivid new book by photographer and naturalist Paul Bannick. *The Owl and the Woodpecker* showcases a sense of these birds' natural rhythms, as well as the integral spirit of our wild places. Based on hundreds of hours in the field photographing these fascinating and wily birds, Bannick evokes all 41 North American species of owls and woodpeckers, across 11 key habitats. And by revealing the impact of two of our most iconic birds, Bannick has created a wholly unique approach to birding and conservation.

An updated bestseller, this book of extraordinarily beautiful photographs of nature contains state-of-the-art instruction on how any photographer can aim for equally impressive results every time a camera is focused on the great outdoors. Even highly skilled photographers are often baffled by the problems facing them when they work outdoors. But with this exceptional field guide in hand, every photographer—beginner, serious amateur, semi-pro, and pro—can conquer the problems encountered in the field. Using his own exceptional work as examples, the author discusses each type of nature subject and how to approach photographing it. Specific advice and information cover selection of equipment and lenses; how to compose a shot; how to get close ups; and other tips covering a range of techniques to enrich various types of nature photographs.

"Flight is the essence of birdness. I strive to illustrate the beauty and complexity of avian flight." -- Peter Cavanagh 100

Flying Birds: Photographing the Mechanics of Flight offers a vivid and varied glimpse into the world of birds. A white-tailed eagle plummeting through a Japanese sky, a brown pelican striking a silhouette against an Ecuadorian sunset, an Atlantic puffin carrying its fish dinner above the Scottish coast, or a keel-billed toucan gliding through a Costa Rican jungle canopy; readers will marvel at the splendor of birds in flight while learning the techniques to capture these gravity-defying moments from a world-class nature photographer. For each picture, author and photographer Peter Cavanagh shares his most evocative thoughts: the challenges of the shoot, the beauty of the location, and the curiosities of the species. Bird people will enjoy the bird photographs and facts, travelers will gobble up the tales of distant parts, and photographers will absorb the technical details. For instance, readers might be surprised to see that a very slow shutter speed can freeze the motion of hummingbird wings. Peter Cavanagh has collected 100 beautiful photos spanning a wide range of species. The subjects of each of the 11 chapters are: Eagles Hummingbirds Gulls and Terns Small Waterbirds Large Waterbirds Ducks, Geese and Swans Raptors Condors and Corvids Cranes Songbirds Favorites

This is a passionate look at a ubiquitous group of insects.

There is nothing quite so satisfying as capturing a stunning wildlife photograph; a good one will reflect practice, patience, careful equipment choice and dedication. Those challenges are perhaps why so many enthusiast photographers aspire to perfect their images in this area; to get their work recognised by the photographic community as well as record their experiences. This book reveals more world-class images with every turn. More than that, though, it takes a practical approach. It comprehensively introduces natural-history and wildlife photography techniques alongside truly useful tips about what gear you'll need (and what you can avoid) in your pursuit of perfection. It is illustrated by the author's professional work; his clients include National Geographic & Time amongst others.

In *Mastering Bird Photography: The Art, Craft, and Technique of Photographing Birds and Their Behavior*, acclaimed bird photographer and author Marie Read shares techniques and stories behind her compelling images, offering fresh insights into making successful bird photographs, whether you're out in the field or in the comfort of your own backyard.

In this richly illustrated book, you'll learn how to be in the right place at the right time and how to obtain tack sharp portraits. Marie then teaches you to take your skills to the next level in order to capture action shots, illustrate birds in their habitats, and portray birds in evocative and artistic ways.

Building on basic technical topics such as camera choice, lens choice, and camera settings, Marie reveals how fieldcraft, compositional decisions, and knowledge of bird behavior contribute greatly to a successful bird photograph. Captions for

the over 400 images contained in the book provide details on the equipment used, as well as camera settings. Throughout the book, bird behavior insights provide bird photographers of all skill levels a wealth of essential insider information that will help you produce images that stand out from the crowd.

Topics include:

Equipment and accessories

Focus, exposure, and light

Composition and creativity

Bird photography ethics

Capturing bird behavior

Storytelling images

Action and in-flight shots

Backyard photo studio

Weather, water, and mood

Top bird photo sites in North America

Basic image editing

...and much more

Foreword by Tim Gallagher, Editor-in-Chief Emeritus, *Living Bird* magazine. p.p1 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 12.0px Cambria} p.p2 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 12.0px 'Times New Roman'; min-height: 15.0px} p.p3 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 12.0px Cambria; min-height: 14.0px} p.p4 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 12.0px Arial} span.s1 {font: 11.0px Verdana} span.s2 {font: 12.0px 'Times New Roman'}

Familiar with traditional photography but confused by megapixels, white balance, electronic sensors, and all the other jargon associated with digital photography? Clear up the confusion, learn about the equipment and techniques, and get back to what's important - taking great pictures. This book provides an introduction to bird photography using a digital SLR. Learn about digital equipment and the common characteristics of both digital and film. This book also covers the unique advantages of the digital medium, and the photographic techniques, fieldcraft, and post-processing techniques that are used to produce stunning images of the creatures that share our world. With a full-colour, liberally illustrated

interior, this book is an essential addition to any photographer's library

Fans of bird watching will rejoice with *Backyard Bird Photography*, a guide for learning how to set up your backyard in order to take the best photographs of your local birds. In addition to guiding you through the first steps of setting up your plantings and bird feeders, this book describes the types of photographic equipment you will need to get just the right image; how to maneuver yourself into just the right position to create a quality bird photograph; how to compose your shots for the greatest visual effect; and how to use more advanced techniques such as macro lenses and external flash techniques. Author and bird photographer Mathew Tekulsky breaks down the challenges of photographing these beautiful creatures and explains how utilizing your own natural surroundings can create stunning shots that rival those shot in the wild. Tekulsky explains that when your garden is set up as a tiny oasis for these feathered friends—with the right foliage, water sources, and feeders—then your backyard will be frequented by a variety of species on any given day. With tips for gaining the bird's trust and composition, every photograph will come out a stunner.

A field guide that revolutionizes warbler identification *Warblers* are among the most challenging birds to identify. They exhibit an array of seasonal plumages and have distinctive yet oft-confused calls and songs. *The Warbler Guide* enables you to quickly identify any of the 56 species of warblers in the United States and Canada. This groundbreaking guide features more than 1,000 stunning color photos, extensive species accounts with multiple viewing angles, and an entirely new system of vocalization analysis that helps you distinguish songs and calls. *The Warbler Guide* revolutionizes birdwatching, making warbler identification easier than ever before. For more information, please see the author videos on the Princeton University Press website. Covers all 56 species of warblers in the United States and Canada Visual quick finders help you identify warblers from any angle Song and call finders make identification easy using a few simple questions Uses sonograms to teach a new system of song identification that makes it easier to understand and hear differences between similar species Detailed species accounts show multiple views with diagnostic points, direct comparisons of plumage and vocalizations with similar species, and complete aging and sexing descriptions New aids to identification include song mnemonics and icons for undertail pattern, color impression, habitat, and behavior Includes field exercises, flight shots, general identification strategies, and quizzes A complete, page-by-page audio companion to all of the 1,000-plus songs and calls covered by the book is available for purchase and download from the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Macaulay Library by using the link at [www.TheWarblerGuide.com](http://www.TheWarblerGuide.com)

A specialist title aimed at bird watchers, this handy book contains all the expertise you need to make your bird-watching trip into a rewarding photo session: there is copious advice on equipment, technique and field craft, and a wealth of wonderful photos to inspire you. Finally, a section on the digital darkroom will help you turn your shots into perfect prints.

The finest, most lavishly illustrated photographic guide to the birds of eastern North America Combining informative and accessible text, up-to-date maps, and—above all—stunning color photographs, this is the best and most lavishly illustrated photographic guide to the birds of eastern North America. All of the images have been carefully selected to convey both the sheer beauty and the key identification features of each bird, and many of the photos are larger than those found in other guides. Wherever possible, a variety of plumages are pictured, providing visual coverage and usefulness matching any artwork-illustrated field guide. And many of the images are state-of-the-art digital photographs by Brian Small, one of North America's finest bird photographers. These pictures, many seen here for the first time, reproduce a previously unimaginable level of detail. Finally, the ranges of nearly all species are shown on maps from the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, the

authority on North American birding. New and experienced birders alike will find this guide indispensable: the clear layout will help novices easily identify the birds they see, while the superb photographs will help seasoned birders confirm identifications. The best, most lavishly illustrated photographic guide to the region's birds Larger color photos than most other field guides Fresh contemporary design—clear, easy-to-use, and attractive Informative, accessible, and authoritative text Range maps from the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology Covers entire eastern half of mainland North America and the arctic and subarctic territorial islands of the U.S. and Canada

From getting to the right place with the right equipment to experienced tips on stalking.

This beautifully illustrated, inspirational guide to bird photography is packed with practical advice for how to photograph birds presented in an informative but accessible writing style. Creative Bird Photography offers a fresh approach to its subject, looking closely at how to photograph specific aspects of birds' lives, such as eating and drinking, courtship, and flight. The author gives examples, demonstrating particular points and approaches for taking great shots of all of these daily bird activities as well as taking "mood" photographs at dawn and dusk. Each shot is accompanied by detailed technical data, information about locations, and advice about other challenges that will need to be surmounted in order to achieve the perfect shot. Coster also shares fascinating anecdotes about his encounters with the birds featured. There are also up-to-date sections on bird photography basics, including equipment and storage of digital images.

In this beautifully illustrated book, author Jeffrey Rich provides indispensable tips for taking polished, professional-quality photographs of birds. Catering to a wide audience, from beginners to professional photographers who are new to bird photography, he covers equipment selection and camera settings to maximize your in-camera captures and provides ideas for finessing the images in postproduction and getting the images seen. Readers will also learn when and where to find subjects that are flying, perching, nesting, eating, and mating—as well as how to attract them. Birding enthusiasts will enjoy informative text about a wide variety of birds, from swallows, to hummingbirds, to cranes, flamingos, owls, and more, and will also learn how to be a better steward of nature by behaving ethically while capturing heart-fluttering images. Illustrated with over 180 full-color images, this book is both a bonafide educational tool and a feast for the eyes.

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