

Searching For Pekpek Cassowaries And Conservation In The New Guinea Rainforest

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

A young woman journeys deep into the untamed jungle, wrestling with love and loss, trauma and healing, faith and redemption, in this sweeping debut from "the gutsiest woman adventurer of our day" (*Book Magazine*) Marika Vecera, an accomplished war reporter, has dedicated her life to helping the world's oppressed and forgotten. When not on one of her dangerous assignments, she lives in Boston, exploring a new relationship with Seb, a psychologist who offers her glimpses of a better world. Returning from a harrowing assignment in the Congo where she was kidnapped by rebel soldiers, Marika learns that a man she has always admired from afar, Pulitzer-winning war correspondent Robert Lewis, has committed suicide. Stunned, she abandons her magazine work to write Lewis's biography, settling down with Seb as their intimacy grows. But when Marika finds a curious letter from a missionary claiming to have seen Lewis in the remote jungle of Papua New Guinea, she has to wonder, What if Lewis isn't dead? Marika soon leaves Seb to embark on her ultimate journey in one of the world's most exotic and unknown lands. Through her eyes we experience the harsh realities of jungle travel, embrace the mythology of native tribes, and receive the special wisdom of Tobo, a witch doctor and sage, as we follow her extraordinary quest to learn the truth about Lewis—and about herself, along the way. This introduction to the descriptive and historical linguistics of the Papuan languages of New Guinea provide an accessible account of one of the richest and most diverse linguistic situations in the world. The Papuan languages number over 700 (or 20 per cent of the world's total) in more than sixty language families. Less than a quarter of the individual languages have yet been adequately documented, and in this sense William Foley's book might be considered premature. However, in the search for language universals and generalisations in linguistic typology, it would be foolhardy to neglect the information that is available. In this respect alone, the present volume, systematically organised on mainly typology principles, is particularly timely and useful. In addition, the processes of linguistic diffusion are present in New Guinea to an extent probably paralleled elsewhere on the globe. The Papuan Languages of New Guinea will be of interest not only to general and comparative linguists and to typologists, but also to sociolinguists and anthropologists for the information it provides on the social dynamics of language content.

Birds of Southwest Pacific

Tree Kangaroos

Birds of Paradise

The Crocodile

Taxonomy of the Genus *Casuarius*

The Papuan Languages of New Guinea

Relicts of a Beautiful Sea

Published in hardcover as *What the dog knows: the science and wonder of working dogs* by Simon & Schuster, New York, c2013.

Tells the story of the unusual digestive habits of the cassowary, a flightless bird who helps build rainforest habitats in New Guinea.

Perfect for birdwatching enthusiasts travelling to Indonesia, this concise guide is full of interesting information. This practical handbook, by an acknowledged authority, intended primarily for the field student, tells him how to identify and name the birds of Indonesia which he encounters, and what kinds of birds he can expect to find on each island. There is also a condensed summary of the present knowledge of distribution, geographical variation and habits. Whenever feasible, keys have been supplied to facilitate identification. These keys are simply and clearly worked out for the beginner who may not know the difference between a curlew and a godwit, or a triller and a graybird. Three magnificent color plates show 39 species which include at least one representation of all of the prominent bird families of the southwest Pacific. A series of black and white drawings show additional species. These pictures will be particularly valuable to bird students who have never seen a wood swallow, a flower pecker, a white-eye or a triller.

The Crocodile Prize Anthology 2011

The White Mary

A Papuan Language of North-east New Guinea

Wand Tuan Wand Puate : Yumbo Yumbo Buagi Raqe Wund

as tok bilong Tok Ples Wand Tuan, Kamasau Practical tri-glot Dictionary

Bismarcks, Solomons, Vanuatu and New Caledonia

A Study of Rural and Urban Food Habits in Papua New Guinea

Published in association with The Wildlife Society.

This book describes the myriad components of the Hindu Kush-Himalaya (HKH) region. The contributors elaborate on challenges, failures, and successes in efforts to conserve the HKH, its indigenous plants and animals, and the watershed that runs from the very roof of the planet via world-rivers to marine estuaries, supporting a human population of some two billion people. Readers will learn how the landforms, animal species and humans of this globally fascinating region are connected, and understand why runoff from snow and ice in the world's tallest mountains is vital to inhabitants far downstream. The book comprises forty-five chapters organized in five parts. The first section, Landscapes, introduces the mountainous watersheds of the HKH, its weather systems, forests, and the 18 major rivers whose headwaters are here. The second part explores concepts, cultures, and religions, including ethnobiology and indigenous regimes, two thousand years of religious tradition, and the history of scientific and research expeditions. Part Three discusses policy, wildlife conservation management, habitat and biodiversity data, as well as the interaction of animals and humans. The fourth part examines the consequences of development and globalization, from hydrodams, to roads and railroads, to poaching and illegal wildlife trade. This section includes studies of animal species including river dolphins, woodpeckers and hornbills, langurs, snow leopards and more. The concluding section

offers perspectives and templates for conservation, sustainability and stability in the HKH, including citizen-science projects and a future challenged by climate change, growing human population, and global conservation decay. A large assemblage of field and landscape photos, combined with eye-witness accounts, presents a 50-year local and wider perspective on the HKH. Also included are advanced digital topics: data sharing, open access, metadata, web portal databases, geographic information systems (GIS) software and machine learning, and data mining concepts all relevant to a modern scientific understanding and sustainable management of the Hindu Kush-Himalaya region. This work is written for scholars, landscape ecologists, naturalists and researchers alike, and it can be especially well-suited for those readers who want to learn in a more holistic fashion about the latest conservation issues.

The Hominid Gang explores a search for man's roots that extends Alex Haley's saga by millions of years. Delta Willis, who rode "shotgun" with some of modern paleontology's most famous fossil-finders, brings to life these scientific safaris into the lands and times of our ancestors. "Always engaging . . . a delightful piece of work".--The Washington Post. Full-color and black-and-white photographs throughout.

Birds of Paradise and Bower Birds

Toward a Reference Grammar of Tok Pisin

The Fight to Save North America's Other Wolf

Tree-Kangaroos, Possums, and Penis Gourds: On the Track of Unknown Mammals in Wildest New Guinea

From Kaukau to Coke

Cassowaries and Conservation in the New Guinea Rainforest

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"In loving yet unsentimental prose, Sy Montgomery captures the richness that animals bring to the human experience. Sometimes it takes a too-smart-for-his-own-good pig to open our eyes to what most matters in life." —John Grogan, author of Marley & Me: Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog A naturalist who spent months at a time living on her own among wild creatures in remote jungles, Sy Montgomery had always felt more comfortable with animals than with people. So she gladly opened her heart to a sick piglet who had been crowded away from nourishing meals by his stronger siblings. Yet Sy had no inkling that this piglet, later named Christopher Hogwood, would not only survive but flourish—and she soon found herself engaged with her small-town community in ways she had never dreamed possible. Unexpectedly, Christopher provided this peripatetic traveler with something she had sought all her life: an anchor (eventually weighing 750 pounds) to family and home. The Good Good Pig celebrates Christopher Hogwood in all his glory, from his inauspicious infancy to hog heaven in rural New Hampshire, where his

boundless zest for life and his large, loving heart made him absolute monarch over a (mostly) peaceable kingdom. At first, his domain included only Sy's cosseted hens and her beautiful border collie, Tess. Then the neighbors began fetching Christopher home from his unauthorized jaunts, the little girls next door started giving him warm, soapy baths, and the villagers brought him delicious leftovers. His intelligence and fame increased along with his girth. He was featured in USA Today and on several National Public Radio environmental programs. On election day, some voters even wrote in Christopher's name on their ballots. But as this enchanting book describes, Christopher Hogwood's influence extended far beyond celebrity; for he was, as a friend said, a great big Buddha master. Sy reveals what she and others learned from this generous soul who just so happened to be a pig—lessons about self-acceptance, the meaning of family, the value of community, and the pleasures of the sweet green Earth. The Good Good Pig provides proof that with love, almost anything is possible.

The use of DNA and other biological macromolecules has revolutionized systematic studies of evolutionary history. Methods that use sequences of nucleotides and amino acids are now routinely used as data for addressing evolutionary questions that, although not new questions, have defied description and analysis. The world-renowned contributors use these new methods to unravel particular aspects of the evolutionary history of birds. Avian Molecular Evolution and Systematics presents an overview of the theory and application of molecular systematics, focusing on the phylogeny and evolutionary biology of birds. New, developing areas in the phylogeny of birds at multiple taxonomic areas are covered, as well as methods of analysis for molecular data, evolutionary genetics within and between bird populations, and the application of molecular-based phylogenies to broader questions of evolution. Contains authoritative contributions from leading researchers Discusses the utility of different molecular markers for questions of avian evolution, involving populations and higher-level taxa Applies molecular-based phylogenies of birds and molecular population genetics data to broad questions of organismal and molecular evolution. Compares and contrasts molecular and morphological data sets

The Crocodile Prize is an annual literary competition open to all citizens of Papua New Guinea. The prize is named after the first novel published by a Papua New Guinean writer, Vincent Eri in 1970. The winners are announced during Independence Week in September each year. The best entries are also published in an annual anthology.

A grammar of Papuan Malay

The Kukukuku of the Upper Watut

The Hominid Gang

Avifauna of the Eastern Highlands of New Guinea

The Good Good Pig

The Extraordinary Life of Christopher Hogwood Elmo the Orphan

Searching for Pekpek is an enthralling tale of a field biologist's adventures studying cassowaries in one of Earth's last wild rainforests.

*Tim Flannery is a scientist of international standing, a world expert on the fauna of New Guinea with twenty new species and seven books to his credit. In *Throwim Way Leg*, he takes us into the field and on an unforgettable journey into the heart of this mysterious and uncharted country. The result is a book of wonder and excitement, brimming with marvelous stories. Flannery's scientific voyage leads him to places he never dreamed of: he camps among cannibals and befriends Femsep, a legendary warrior who led the slaughter of colonial whites decades before. He enters caves full of skeletons of long-extinct, giant marsupials, scales mountains previously untouched by Europeans, and is nearly killed when tribes people decide to take revenge for their prior mistreatment by his "clan" (wildlife scientists). And Flannery writes movingly of the fate of indigenous people in collision with the high-tech world of late-twentieth-century industry. In *New Guinea pidgin*, *throwim way leg* means to thrust out your leg on the first step of a long journey. Full of adventure, wit, and natural wonders, Flannery's narrative is just such a spectacular trip. Like Redmond O'Hanlon's classics *Into the Heart of Borneo* and *No Mercy*, *Throwim Way Leg* is a tour de force of travel, anthropology, and natural history.*

*This book presents an in-depth linguistic description of one Papuan Malay variety, based on sixteen hours of recordings of spontaneous narratives and conversations between Papuan Malay speakers. 'Papuan Malay' refers to the easternmost varieties of Malay (Austronesian). They are spoken in the coastal areas of West Papua, the western part of the island of New Guinea. The variety described here is spoken along West Papua's northeast coast. Papuan Malay is the language of wider communication and the first or second language for an ever-increasing number of people of the area. While Papuan Malay is not officially recognized and therefore not used in formal government or educational settings or for religious preaching, it is used in all other domains, including unofficial use in formal settings, and, to some extent, in the public media. After a general introduction to the language, its setting, and history, this grammar discusses the following topics, building up from smaller grammatical constituents to larger ones: phonology, word formation, noun and prepositional phrases, verbal and nonverbal clauses, non-declarative clauses, and conjunctions and constituent combining. Of special interest to linguists, typologists, and Malay specialists are the following in-depth analyses and descriptions: affixation and its productivity across domains of language choice, reduplication and its *gesamtbedeutung*, personal pronouns and their adnominal uses, demonstratives and locatives and their extended uses, and adnominal possessive relations and their non-canonical uses. This study provides a point of comparison for further studies in other (Papuan) Malay varieties and a starting point for Papuan Malay language development efforts.*

Mister Cassowary

A Grammar and Dictionary of Tayap

A Tale of New Guinea

Paradisaeidae

Hindu Kush-Himalaya Watersheds Downhill: Landscape Ecology and Conservation Perspectives

Roads and Ecological Infrastructure

Red wolves are shy, elusive, and misunderstood predators. Until the 1800s, they were common in the longleaf pine savannas and deciduous forests of the southeastern United States. However, habitat degradation, persecution, and interbreeding with the coyote nearly annihilated them.

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*Today, reintroduced red wolves are found only in peninsular northeastern North Carolina within less than 1 percent of their former range. In *The Secret World of Red Wolves*, nature writer T. DeLene Beeland shadows the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's pioneering recovery program over the course of a year to craft an intimate portrait of the red wolf, its history, and its restoration. Her engaging exploration of this top-level predator traces the intense effort of conservation personnel to save a species that has slipped to the verge of extinction. Beeland weaves together the voices of scientists, conservationists, and local landowners while posing larger questions about human coexistence with red wolves, our understanding of what defines this animal as a distinct species, and how climate change may swamp its current habitat. *Searching for Pekpek Cassowaries and Conservation in the New Guinea Rainforest* Cassowary Conservation & Pub Llc*

The 10,000 entries (arranged from A to Z) are supplemented by hundreds of figures (approximately 700) & tables (more than 150) that clearly demonstrate the principles & concepts behind important manufacturing processes, illustrate the important structures, or provide representative compositional & property data for a wide variety of ferrous & nonferrous materials, plastics, ceramics, composites (resin-metal-carbon-&-ceramic-matrix) & adhesives. "Technical Briefs" provide encyclopedic-type coverage for some 64 key material groups. Each Technical Brief contains a "Recommended Reading" list to guide the user to additional information. Published by ASM International (tm), Materials Park, OH 44073.

What the Dog Knows

The Defined and Known Living Cassowary Species and Subspecies

Throwim Way Leg

ASM Materials Engineering Dictionary

A Dictionary of Kwoma

An Experiment in Corpus Linguistics

1912

Tree Kangaroos: Science and Conservation, a volume in the Biodiversity of the World: Conservation from Genes to Landscapes series, provides an overview of tree kangaroo species and their relationship with humans. This exciting, interdisciplinary work on tree kangaroo science and conservation is divided into six major sections: (1) tree kangaroo evolution, genetics, taxonomy, ecology, behavior, and conservation status; (2) current and emerging threats to the species; (3) conservation programs in Australia and New Guinea with an emphasis on the human aspect of conservation; (4) the role of zoos in conservation solutions; (5) techniques and technologies to study this elusive marsupial; and (6) what is needed to keep tree kangaroos and their landscapes healthy in the future. The series on Biodiversity of the World: Conservation from Genes to Landscapes includes titles focused on specific species or taxa across disciplinary boundaries and spatial scales—from genes to landscapes. Volumes are edited and written by prominent scholars and practitioners to illuminate and advance biodiversity science and conservation. Includes coverage of all known tree kangaroo species Features contributions edited and written by the world's leading researchers and practitioners focusing on these scientifically mysterious marsupials Provides accessible scientific and general information to a wide audience including students, academics, researchers, conservation professionals, policy makers, business leaders, zoo professionals, health professionals, and people interested in community-based conservation Presents the current knowledge of tree kangaroos, helping to lay the foundations and best practices for future conservation and research in Australia and New Guinea

Baby Elmo the Cassowary has lost his dad and has been looked after by humans. But Elmo wants a cassowary family of his own. Fleeing to the forest, Elmo's attempts to find his family

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are sometimes amusing, but with many dangers lurking in the bush, always exciting. This book was written by Pam Galeano the author of "Glissandra the Glider". Pam loves to write stories about endangered species, hoping that this is not the only way that these animals will be remembered.

The Crocodile Prize is the annual Papua New Guinea literature awards. The awards are presented on Independence Day on September 16 each year. The best entries are published in an annual anthology.

The Life and Death of a Papuan Language

Science and Conservation

The Secret World of Red Wolves

Catalogue of the Fossil Birds in the British Museum (Natural History)

Adam with Arrows

Annual Report

Behind the Scenes in the Search for Human Origins

Tayap is a small, previously undocumented Papuan language, spoken in a single village called Gapun, in the lower Sepik River region of Papua New Guinea. The language is an isolate, unrelated to any other in the area. Furthermore, Tayap is dying. Fewer than fifty speakers actively command it today. Based on linguistic anthropological work conducted over the course of thirty years, this book describes the grammar of the language, detailing its phonology, morphology and syntax. It devotes particular attention to verbs, which are the most elaborated area of the grammar, and which are complex, fusional and massively suppletive. The book also provides a full Tayap-English-Tok Pisin dictionary. A particularly innovative contribution is the detailed discussions of how Tayap's grammar is dissolving in the language of young speakers. The book exemplifies how the complex structures in fluent speakers' Tayap are reduced or reanalyzed by younger speakers. This grammar and dictionary should therefore be a valuable resource for anyone interested in the mechanics of how languages disappear. The fact that it is the sole documentation of this unique Papuan language should also make it of interest to areal specialists and language typologists.

Andrew Mack immersed himself in a vast expanse of roadless, old growth rainforest of Papua New Guinea in 1987. He and his co-investigator Debra Wright, built a research station by hand and lived there for years. Their mission was to study the secretive and perhaps most dinosaur-like creature still roaming the planet: the cassowary. The ensuing adventures of this unorthodox biologist studying seeds found in cassowary droppings (pekpek), learning to live among the indigenous Pawai, traversing jungles, fighting pests and loneliness, struggling against unscrupulous oil speculators, and more are woven into a compelling tale that spans two decades. Mack shares the insights he garnered about rainforest ecology while studying something as seemingly mundane as cassowary pekpek. He ultimately gained profound insight into why conservation is failing in places like Papua New Guinea and struggled to create a more viable strategy for conserving some of Earth's last wild rainforests."

The perfect guide to the birds of Melanesia - New Caledonia, the Solomons, the Bismarcks and Vanuatu Written by leading ornithologist,

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Guy Dutson, this new Helm Field Guide covers the species-rich Melanesia region of the south-west Pacific, from New Caledonia and the Solomons through the Bismarcks to Vanuatu. This is an increasingly popular destination for tours and travellers, and one that has never before had complete field-guide coverage. For anyone travelling to this far-flung Pacific region, this book is an indispensable birdwatching guide. Species accounts include 650 superb illustrations allied with concise written information to aid quick and accurate identification. The cover star is the Kagu, the region's most iconic bird species and a highly sought-after endemic of New Caledonia.

Birds of Melanesia

When the Cassowary Pooped

Scent, Science, and the Amazing Ways Dogs Perceive the World

Inside Aboriginal New Guinea

Survival, Extinction, and Conservation in a Desert World

Bosabi towo: liya: Ingilis towo: liya: Pisin towo: liya: bugo

Searching for Pekpek

Along a tiny spring in a narrow canyon near Death Valley, seemingly against all odds, an Inyo Mountain slender salamander makes its home. "The desert," writes conservation biologist Christopher Norment, "is defined by the absence of water, and yet in the desert there is water enough, if you live properly." Relicts of a Beautiful Sea explores the existence of rare, unexpected, and sublime desert creatures such as the black toad and four pupfishes unique to the desert West. All are anomalies: amphibians and fish, dependent upon aquatic habitats, yet living in one of the driest places on earth, where precipitation averages less than four inches per year. In this climate of extremes, beset by conflicts over water rights, each species illustrates the work of natural selection and the importance of conservation. This is also a story of persistence--for as much as ten million years--amid the changing landscape of western North America. By telling the story of these creatures, Norment illustrates the beauty of evolution and explores ethical and practical issues of conservation: what is a four-inch-long salamander worth, hidden away in the heat-blasted canyons of the Inyo Mountains, and what would the cost of its extinction be? What is any lonely and besieged species worth, and why should we care?

The Sepik-Ramu

Climate of Papua New Guinea

Avian Molecular Evolution and Systematics

A Novel

A Field Guide to the Birds of the Area between Samoa, New Caledonia, and Micronesia

Concepts and Applications for Small Animals