HORNBILLS OF THE WORLD

HORNBILLS (Bucerotidae) are a group of distinctive and charismatic birds found only in tropical Asia and sub-Saharan Africa. They are in the family Bucerotidae and consist of 56 species, 53 genera, and 71 subspecies. 30 species are in Asia and 25 species in Africa. They are mainly forest birds, but some species have adapted to more open environments. Many hornbills are social, with pairs or small family groups. They have massive heads and long bills, which are used for digging and foraging. Hornbills are omnivorous, feeding on a variety of foods such as fruits, insects, and small animals. Many species play important roles in their ecosystems as seed dispersers.

This is the first authoritative photographic guide to the order. All species are illustrated in multiple photographs, showing both the birds and their habitats. The book includes information on the biology, behavior, and conservation status of each species.

The book is the result of extensive fieldwork by the authors, who have spent over 20 years studying hornbills. It is a comprehensive resource for birders, ornithologists, and anyone interested in the natural world.

Dr. Pilai Poonswad (Thailand), Dr. Alan Kemp (South Africa), and Morten Strange (Denmark) have collaborated to produce this book. It is a testament to their dedication to the study and conservation of hornbills.

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