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In the Valleys of the Noble Beyond John Zada 2019-08-15 This evocative work of nature writing traverses the world's largest temperate rainforest to uncover the legend of the Sasquatch. Canada's Great Bear Rainforest is home to trees as tall as skyscrapers and moss as thick as carpet. According to the people who live there, another giant may dwell in these woods. For centuries, locals have reported encounters with the Sasquatch—a species of hairy man-ape that could inhabit this pristine wilderness. Driven by his childhood obsession with the Sasquatch, yet trying to remain objective, journalist John Zada seeks out the people and stories surrounding this enigmatic creature. He speaks with local Indigenous peoples and a Sasquatch-studying scientist. He hikes with a former bear hunter. Soon, he finds himself on quest for something infinitely more complex, cutting across questions of human perception, scientific inquiry, Indigenous traditions, the environment, and the power of the human imagination to believe in—or to outright dismiss—one of nature's last great mysteries.

Snow Leopards and Other Wild Cats Mary Pope Osborne 2022-01-04 Track the facts about snow leopards and other amazing wild cats in this nonfiction companion to the bestselling Magic Tree House series! When Jack and Annie came back from their adventure in Magic Tree House #36: Sunlight on the Snow Leopard, they had lots of questions. Where do snow leopards live? Why are they endangered? Which wild cat has the longest fangs? How do lions hunt? Find out the answers to these questions and more as Jack and Annie track the facts about snow leopards and wild cats from all over the world. Filled with up-to-date information, photographs, illustrations, and fun tidbits from Jack and Annie, the Fact Trackers are the perfect way for kids to find out more about the topics they discover in their favorite Magic Tree House adventures. Did you know that there's a Magic Tree House book for every kid? Magic Tree House: Adventures with Jack and Annie, perfect for readers who are just beginning chapter books Merlin Missions: More challenging adventures for the experienced reader Fact Trackers: Nonfiction companions to your favorite Magic Tree House adventures

The Snow Leopard Project alex Dehgan 2018-08-14 This remarkable story of a scientist's heroic efforts to protect Afghanistan's wildlife amidst war offers a unique portrait of a culture that derives immense pride and a sense of

national identity from the landscape. Post-war Afghanistan is fragile, volatile, and perilous. It is also a place of extraordinary beauty. Evolutionary biologist Alex Deghan came to Afghanistan and created a startup, Conservation X Labs, to save Afghanistan's unique and extraordinary wildlife and natural landscape after decades of war. His workplace was so remote that roads themselves would disappear, and travel was by foot, yak, or mule, following ancient pathways for weeks into the mountain kingdoms and desolate landscapes. Conservation, it turned out, provided a common bond between Alex's team and the people of Afghanistan, where his international team worked unarmed in some of the most dangerous places in the country. They successfully built the country's first national park, completed the first wildlife survey in thirty years, and worked to stop the poaching of the country's iconic endangered animals, including the elusive snow leopard. In doing so, they restored a part of Afghan identity that is ineffably tied to the land itself. For a people who had spent decades as refugees or subject to the horrors and desolation of war, the quest to restore Afghanistan's wildlife became the restoration of Afghanistan's very culture and deep history.

Owls of the Eastern Ice Jonathan C. Slaght 2020-08-04 A New York Times Notable Book of 2020 Longlisted for the National Book Award Winner of the PEN/E.O. Wilson Literary Science Writing Award and the Minnesota Book Award for General Nonfiction A Finalist for the Stanford Dolman Travel Book of the Year Award Winner of the Peace Corps Worldwide Special Book Award A Best Book of the Year: NPR, The Wall Street Journal, Smithsonian, Minneapolis Star-Tribune, The Globe and Mail, The BirdBooker Report, Geographical, Open Letter Review Best Nature Book of the Year: The Times (London) "A terrifically exciting account of [Slaght's] time in the Russian Far East studying Blakiston's fish owls, huge, shaggy-feathered, yellow-eyed, and elusive birds that hunt fish by wading in icy water . . . Even on the hottest summer days this book will transport you." —Helen Macdonald, author of *H is for Hawk*, in *Kirkus* I saw my first Blakiston's fish owl in the Russian province of Primorye, a coastal talon of land hooking south into the belly of Northeast Asia . . . No scientist had seen a Blakiston's fish owl so far south in a hundred years . . . When he was just a fledgling birdwatcher, Jonathan C. Slaght had a chance encounter with one of the most mysterious birds on Earth. Bigger than any owl he knew, it looked like a small bear with decorative feathers. He snapped a quick photo and shared it with experts. Soon he was on a five-year journey, searching for this enormous, enigmatic creature in the lush, remote forests of eastern Russia. That first sighting set his calling as a scientist. Despite a wingspan of six feet and a height of over two feet, the Blakiston's fish owl is highly elusive. They are easiest to find in winter, when their tracks mark the snowy banks of the rivers where they feed. They are also endangered. And so, as Slaght and his devoted team set out to locate the owls, they aim to craft a conservation plan that helps ensure the species' survival. This quest sends them on all-night monitoring missions in freezing tents, mad dashes across thawing rivers, and free-climbs up rotting trees to check nests for precious eggs. They use cutting-edge tracking technology and improvise ingenious traps. And all along, they must keep watch against a run-in with a bear or an Amur tiger. At the heart of Slaght's story are the fish owls themselves: cunning hunters, devoted parents, singers of eerie duets, and survivors in a harsh and shrinking habitat. Through this rare glimpse into the everyday life of a field scientist and conservationist, *Owls of the Eastern Ice* testifies to the determination and creativity essential to scientific advancement and serves as a powerful reminder of the beauty, strength, and vulnerability of the natural world.

This Land Christopher Ketcham 2020-07-21 "A big, bold book about public lands . . . The Desert Solitaire of our time." —Outside A hard-hitting look at the battle now raging over the fate of the public lands in the American West--and a plea for the protection of these last wild places The public lands of the western United States comprise some 450 million acres of grassland, steppe land, canyons, forests, and mountains. It's an American commons, and it is under assault as never before. Journalist Christopher Ketcham has been documenting the confluence of commercial exploitation and governmental misconduct in this region for over a decade. His revelatory book takes the reader on a journey across these last wild places, to see how capitalism is killing our great commons. Ketcham begins in Utah, revealing the environmental destruction caused by unregulated public lands livestock grazing, and exposing rampant malfeasance in the federal land management agencies, who have been compromised by the profit-driven livestock and energy interests they are supposed to regulate. He then turns to the broad effects of those corrupt politics on wildlife. He tracks the Department of Interior's failure to implement and enforce the Endangered Species Act--including its stark betrayal of protections for the grizzly bear and the sage grouse--and investigates the destructive behavior of U.S. Wildlife Services in their shocking mass slaughter of animals that threaten the livestock industry. Along the way, Ketcham talks with ecologists, biologists, botanists, former government employees, whistleblowers, grassroots environmentalists and other citizens who are fighting to protect the public domain for future generations. This Land is a colorful muckraking journey--part Edward Abbey, part Upton Sinclair--exposing the rot in American politics that is rapidly leading to the sell-out of our national heritage. The book ends with Ketcham's vision of ecological restoration for the American West: freeing the trampled, denuded ecosystems from the effects of grazing, enforcing the laws already in place to defend biodiversity, allowing the native species of the West to recover under a fully implemented Endangered Species Act, and establishing vast stretches of public land where there will be no development at all, not even for recreation.

Green Planet Blues Ken Conca 2018-10-08 Revised and updated throughout, this unique anthology examines global environmental politics from a range of perspectives (contemporary and classic, activist and scholarly) and reflects voices of the powerless and powerful. Paradigms of sustainability, environmental security, and ecological justice illustrate the many ways environmental problems an

The Snow Leopard Peter Matthiessen 2016-10-18 Part of the Penguin Orange Collection, a limited-run series of twelve influential and beloved American classics in a bold series design offering a modern take on the iconic Penguin paperback Winner of the 2016 AIGA + Design Observer 50 Books | 50 Covers competition For the seventieth anniversary of Penguin Classics, the Penguin Orange Collection celebrates the heritage of Penguin's iconic book design with twelve influential American literary classics representing the breadth and diversity of the Penguin Classics library. These collectible editions are dressed in the iconic orange and white tri-band cover design, first created in 1935, while french flaps, high-quality paper, and striking cover illustrations provide the cutting-edge design treatment that is the signature of Penguin Classics Deluxe Editions today. The Snow Leopard In 1973, Peter Matthiessen and field biologist George Schaller traveled high into the remote mountains of Nepal to study the Himalayan blue sheep and possibly glimpse the rare and beautiful snow leopard. Matthiessen, a student of Zen Buddhism, was also on a spiritual quest to find the Lama of Shey at the ancient shrine on Crystal

Mountain. The result is a remarkable account of a journey both physical and spiritual, as the arduous climb yields to Matthiessen a deepening Buddhist understanding of reality, suffering, impermanence, and beauty.

Field Guide to Trees of Southern Africa Braam van Wyk 2013-08-06 This comprehensively updated and expanded edition of the region's best-selling field guide to trees offers much, much more than the highly successful first edition. Fully updated text (including additional species entries) and distribution maps, numerous new photographs and a new 87-page section of full-tree photographs makes this well-loved guide even more indispensable in the field. Southern Africa has a rich variety of tree species, with an estimated 2 100 indigenous species and more than 100 naturalised aliens. Field Guide to Trees of Southern Africa describes and illustrates more than 1 000 of these, focusing on trees that are the most common and most likely to be encountered. Species are logically arranged in 43 groups based on easy-to-observe leaf and stem features, and each account is illustrated by full-colour photographs of the plant's diagnostic parts. The text also touches on the practical uses of the plants.

The Snow Leopard Project Alex Dehgan 2019-01-22 The remarkable story of the heroic effort to save and preserve Afghanistan's wildlife—and a culture that derives immense pride and a sense of national identity from its natural landscape. Postwar Afghanistan is fragile, volatile, and perilous. It is also a place of extraordinary beauty. Evolutionary biologist Alex Dehgan arrived in the country in 2006 to build the Wildlife Conservation Society's Afghanistan Program, and preserve and protect Afghanistan's unique and extraordinary environment, which had been decimated after decades of war. Conservation, it turned out, provided a common bond between Alex's team and the people of Afghanistan. His international team worked unarmed in some of the most dangerous places in the country—places so remote that winding roads would abruptly disappear, and travel was on foot, yak, or mule. In *The Snow Leopard Project*, Dehgan takes readers along with him on his adventure as his team helps create the country's first national park, completes the some of the first extensive wildlife surveys in thirty years, and works to stop the poaching of the country's iconic endangered animals, including the elusive snow leopard. In doing so, they help restore a part of Afghan identity that is inextricably tied to the land itself.

Birding Without Borders Noah Strycker 2017-10-10 The story of how the associate editor of *Birding* magazine set himself a lofty goal: to become the first person to see half the world's birds in one year. In 2015, for 365 days, with a backpack, binoculars, and a series of one-way tickets, Noah Strycker traveled across forty-one countries and all seven continents, eventually spotting 6,042 species—by far the biggest birding year on record. This is no travelogue or glorified checklist. Noah ventures deep into a world of chronic sleep deprivation, airline snafus, breakdowns, mudslides, floods, war zones, ecologic devastation, conservation triumphs, common and iconic species, and scores of passionate bird lovers around the globe. By pursuing the freest creatures on the planet, he gains a unique perspective on the world they share with us—and offers a hopeful message that even as many birds face an uncertain future, more people than ever are working to protect them. “*Birding Without Borders* is light-hearted and filled with stories of exotic birds, risky adventures, and colorful birding companions.”—*New York Times* Book Review “Highly recommended for anyone interested in travel, natural history, and adventure.”—*Library Journal* “Even readers who wouldn't know a marvellous spatuletail from a

southern ground hornbill will be awed by Strycker's achievement and appreciate the passion with which he pursues his interest."—Publishers Weekly

Being Caribou

The Storm Leopards Holly Webb 2021-09-14 In this latest installment of the exciting Winter Journeys series, Isabelle catches a glimpse of the elusive snow leopard at the zoo and is magically transported to Mongolia to help a snow leopard family in danger. Includes black-and-white illustrations, a glossary, and further information about Mongolia, its people, and their commitment to protect snow leopards. When Isabelle and her family go to the zoo, she is the only one to catch a glimpse of the elusive snow leopard. She is fascinated by the animal and wants to learn all about it. One night, she wakes up to find herself in Mongolia, where snow leopards live. She meets a girl her age, and the two begin an exciting adventure to save a snow leopard and her two young cubs. But can the girls protect the beautiful cats from the hunters who are looking for them? Includes a glossary and additional material at the end of the book about Mongolia, its people, and their commitment to protect snow leopards.

Rainbow Magic: Selma the Snow Leopard Fairy Daisy Meadows 2018-10-04 Get ready for an exciting fairy adventure with the no. 1 bestselling series for girls aged 5 and up. Kirsty and Rachel are going to a very special safari park! They are very excited to help the endangered animals who live there. But naughty Jack Frost wants to steal the animals for himself! Can the girls help the Endangered Animals Fairies stop him? 'These stories are magic; they turn children into readers!' ReadingZone.com Read all four fairy adventures in the Endangered Animals Fairies set! Etta the Elephant Fairy; Priya the Polar Bear Fairy; Chelsea the Chimpanzee Fairy; Selma the Snow Leopard Fairy. If you like Rainbow Magic, check out Daisy Meadows' other series: Magic Animal Friends and Unicorn Magic!

Snow School Sandra Markle 2018-03-29 Read Along or Enhanced eBook: The author/illustrator team of Sandra Markle and Alan Marks has had a profound impact on the world of children's nonfiction with their collaborative efforts on books about different animals around the world. From wolves in Yellowstone to penguins in Antarctica, readers and critics have raved about the way in which Markle and Marks share their stories and information about animals in the wild. In their newest project, readers are introduced to twin snow leopard cubs and their mother from the Hindu Kush mountains of Pakistan. Lyrical, informative text and stunning watercolor illustrations lead readers through the struggles these snow leopards face—from finding food to bearing harsh weather conditions—and the lessons the young cubs learn as they prepare for a life on their own, out from underneath the watchful, caring eye of their mother. Back matter includes further resources and facts as well as an author's note about the research process and information about how we can help this endangered species.

Dreaming of Wolves Alan E. Sparks 2010 Part travelogue, part memoir, part exposition of natural and cultural history, "Dreaming of Wolves" presents a unique and colourful story of adventure. Through a series of entertaining vignettes, the author paints an intimate and intricate picture of nature and life as it occurs in a fascinating part of Europe that has remained largely untouched by modern trends and undiscovered by western travellers, at least until recently. Whether joining the narrator as he tracks wolves in the forests of the Carpathian Mountains, or battles antagonistic shepherd dogs, or sits on

the floor of a cave contemplating time and consciousness, or makes a journey through history to discover the real Dracula, as one reads "Dreaming of Wolves" one absorbs, almost without realising it, a remarkable amount of factual information about wolves, about traditional and rural life in Romania, about the history of Romania, about animal behaviour, and even about physics. Written in an understated style, the story is related with an honesty and a subtle sense of humour that derives from events perceived by a keen and sensitive eye. The book presents several sub-themes - such as, the importance of conserving wilderness, the value of discovering self through uncovering and pursuing one's dreams, the nature of time and consciousness -- all of which are woven smoothly into the fabric of a well-told story. The author's beautiful colour photographs of the people, animals and locales enhance the narrative and help the reader to understand the cultural and historical perspectives that influence life in Romania today.

Vanishing Tracks Darla Hillard 1990

The Snow Leopard and the Goat Shafqat Hussain 2019-12-30 Following the downgrading of the snow leopard's status from "endangered" to "vulnerable" by the International Union for Conservation of Nature in 2017, debate has renewed about the actual number of snow leopards in the wild and the most effective strategies for coexisting with these enigmatic animals. Evidence from Pakistan and other countries in the snow leopard's home range shows that they rely heavily on human society-domestic livestock accounts for as much as 70 percent of their diet. Maintaining that the snow leopard is a "wild" animal, conservation NGOs and state agencies have enacted laws that punish farmers for attacking these predators, while avoiding engaging with efforts to mitigate the harms suffered by farmers whose herds are reduced by snow leopards. This ethnography examines the uneven distribution of costs and benefits involved in snow leopard conservation and shows that for the conservation of nature to be successful, the vision, interests, and priorities of those most affected by conservation policies-in this case, local farmers-must be addressed. A case history of Project Snow Leopard in the mountains of northern Pakistan, which inspired similar programs in India, Bhutan, Nepal, Mongolia, Afghanistan and Tajikistan, describes how the animal's food habits are studied, how elusive individuals are counted, and how a novel kind of "snow leopard insurance" has protected the species by compensating farmers for livestock losses. The Snow Leopard and the Goat demonstrates that characterizing this conflict as one between humans (farmers) and wildlife (snow leopards) is misleading, as the real conflict is between two human groups-farmers and conservationists-who see the snow leopard differently.

Edward's Menagerie: The New Collection Kerry Lord 2021-04-15 Enter a whole new world of 50 animal crochet patterns from bestselling author Kerry Lord. Crochet your way through this new collection of easy-to-make amigurumi characters - from a philosophical sloth and a chess-playing armadillo to a very fluffy Angora bunny who loves her job in customer service. Learn to improve your crochet techniques, working up from the beginner projects through to the more challenging later patterns. Each animal uses only basic stitches and there's step-by-step instructions that mean this is the perfect book to learn to crochet. Each animal follows Kerry's basic standard form, so if you can make one animal from the book, you can learn to make them all. Level one patterns: Hare; Alpaca; Tapir; Camel; Wombat; Kangaroo; Buffalo; Warthog. Level two patterns: Woodmouse; Meerkat; Oryx; Rat; Arctic Hare; Mouse; Beaver; Quokka; Ox; Possum; White Tiger; Three-toed Sloth; Platypus; Mole; Black and White

Ruffed Lemur; Echidna; Tasmanian Devil. Level three patterns: Arctic Fox; Reindeer; Chinchilla; Moose; Giant Anteater; Fennec Fox; Llama; Baboon; Badger; Gibbon; Okapi; Otter; Fallow Stag; Angora Rabbit; Sloth Bear; Leopard; Muskox; Boer Goat; Shire Horse; Armadillo; Snow Leopard; Skunk; Flying Fox; Lynx; Red Panda.

Searching for the Snow Leopard Shavaun Mara Kidd 2020-10-06 A stunning visual and personal journey in search of the iconic big cat, the snow leopard. The snow leopard, known as the ghost of the mountains, is an elusive predator that has captured the human imagination for eons. Yet, by nature secretive, living at altitudes of up to 19,000 feet in one of the world's harshest environments, it is notoriously difficult to see. Those lucky enough to encounter one speak of the experience as momentous, transformative, even spiritual. In this handsomely illustrated, eloquent book, published in partnership with the Snow Leopard Conservancy, world-renowned wildlife photographers, naturalists, and conservationists take the reader closer than most humans will ever get to knowing snow leopards and understanding why these beautiful big cats have for so long been considered the most mysterious of all. More than 130 breathtaking photographs—all taken in the wild, and none with camera traps—accompany personal narratives and anecdotes that convey the experience of learning to see; the patient pursuit, following the tracks and other sign for a momentary glimpse; an unexpected encounter; watching the predator hunt; a magical moment with a mother and her cubs. A special "seek and find" section challenges readers to spot the snow leopard—to discern camouflage from rock and snow. The text also relates the natural history of the snow leopard, its cultural significance and place in lore, its interactions with local peoples, and information about its conservation. Royalties from the sales of *Searching for the Snow Leopard* support the Snow Leopard Conservancy and its programs.

Hello Ruby: Adventures in Coding Linda Liukas 2015-10-06 "Code is the 21st century literacy and the need for people to speak the ABCs of Programming is imminent." --Linda Liukas Meet Ruby--a small girl with a huge imagination. In Ruby's world anything is possible if you put your mind to it. When her dad asks her to find five hidden gems Ruby is determined to solve the puzzle with the help of her new friends, including the Wise Snow Leopard, the Friendly Foxes, and the Messy Robots. As Ruby stomps around her world kids will be introduced to the basic concepts behind coding and programming through storytelling. Learn how to break big problems into small problems, repeat tasks, look for patterns, create step-by-step plans, and think outside the box. With hands-on activities included in every chapter, future coders will be thrilled to put their own imaginations to work.

The Art of Patience Sylvain Tesson 2021-07-13 A journey in search of one of the most elusive creatures on the planet Adventurer Sylvain Tesson has led a restless life, riding across Central Asia on horseback, freeclimbing the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame, and traversing the Himalayas by foot. But while recovering from an accident that left him in a coma, and nursing his wounds from a lost love, he found himself domesticated, his lust for life draining with each moment spent staring at a screen. An expedition to the mountains of Tibet, in search of the famously elusive snow leopard, presented itself as a cure. For the chance to glimpse this near mythical beast, Tesson and his companions must wait for hours without making a sound or a movement, enduring the thin air and brutal cold. Their vigil becomes an act of faith--many have pursued the snow leopard for years without seeing it--and as they keep their watch, Tesson comes to embrace the virtues of patience and silence. His faith

is rewarded when the snow leopard, the spirit of the mountain, reveals itself: an embodiment of what we have surrendered in our contemporary lives. And the simple act of waiting proves to be an antidote to the frenzy of our times. A celebration of the power and grace of the wild, and a requiem for the world's vanishing places, *The Art of Patience* is a revelatory account of the communion between nature and the human heart. Sylvain Tesson has written a new masterpiece on the relationship between man and beast in prose as sublime as the wilderness that inspired it.

Le Morte Darthur Sir Thomas Malory 1897

Miss Cayley's Adventures Grant Allen 2015-11-09 When her stepfather dies, Miss Lois Cayley finds herself alone in the world with only twopence in her pocket. Undaunted, the intelligent, attractive, and infinitely resourceful young woman decides to set off in search of adventure. Her travels take her from London to Germany, Italy, Egypt, and India, as she faces various challenges and meets an assortment of eccentric characters. But when her true love, Harold Tillington, finds himself accused of forging a will and faces prison, Miss Cayley will need all her ingenuity to investigate the case, solve the mystery, and save Harold from the diabolical plot! One of the first novels to feature a female detective, Grant Allen's *Miss Cayley's Adventures* (1899) remains as witty, enjoyable, and engaging today as when first published. This edition includes a new introduction by Elizabeth Foxwell. "Scholars might be loath to hear this, but, popular culture being the continuum that it is, *Miss Cayley's Adventures* can be seen as a superior example of the chick lit of its era. Its heroine remains to this day as appealing and amusing as any Bridget Jones, and her exploits are filled with moments of wit, action, and sheer fun."- Michele Slung, editor, *Crime on her Mind: Fifteen Stories of Female Sleuths from the Victorian Era to the Forties*

Snow Leopards Megan Borgert-Spaniol 2014-08-01 Snow leopards are big cats that live high up in the Himalayan Mountains. These spotted felines are powerful jumpers, leaping as far as 30 feet in one jump! Find out more about these elusive animals in this accessible read for young students.

The Mysterious Stranger Mark Twain

Samsara Dog Helen Manos 2007 Traces a dog through various incarnations, including a tough stray, a working dog, and a family pet, as he learns what he must in each life.

Tiger Adventure Willard Price 2013-06-06 Two brothers go on an expedition to the Himalayas in search of wild animals for their family's animal farm.

Poached Rachel Love Nuwer 2018-09-25 An intrepid investigation of the criminal world of wildlife trafficking--the poachers, the traders, and the customers--and of those fighting against it Journalist Rachel Nuwer plunges the reader into the underground of global wildlife trafficking, a topic she has been investigating for nearly a decade. Our insatiable demand for animals--for jewelry, pets, medicine, meat, trophies, and fur--is driving a worldwide poaching epidemic, threatening the continued existence of countless species. Illegal wildlife trade now ranks among the largest contraband industries in the world, yet compared to drug, arms, or human trafficking, the wildlife crisis has received scant attention and support, leaving it up to passionate individuals fighting on the ground to try to ensure that elephants, tigers,

rhinos, and more are still around for future generations. As Reefer Madness (Schlosser) took us into the drug market, or Susan Orlean descended into the swampy obsessions of *The Orchid Thief*, Nuwer--an award-winning science journalist with a background in ecology--takes readers on a narrative journey to the front lines of the trade: to killing fields in Africa, traditional medicine black markets in China, and wild meat restaurants in Vietnam. Through exhaustive first-hand reporting that took her to ten countries, Nuwer explores the forces currently driving demand for animals and their parts; the toll that demand is extracting on species across the planet; and the conservationists, rangers, and activists who believe it is not too late to stop the impending extinctions. More than a depressing list of statistics, *Poached* is the story of the people who believe this is a battle that can be won, that our animals are not beyond salvation.

Tibet Wild George B. Schaller 2014-04-02 George Schaller has spent much of his life traversing wild and isolated places in his quest to understand and conserve threatened species--from mountain gorillas in the Virunga to snow leopards in the Himalaya. Throughout his career, Schaller has spent more time in Tibet than anywhere else, devoting over thirty years to the region's unique wildlife, culture, and landscapes. *Tibet Wild* is Schaller's account of three decades of exploration in the remote stretches of Tibet. As human development accelerated, Schaller watched the clash between wildlife and people become more common--and more destructive. What began as a scientific endeavor became a mission: to work with local communities, regional leaders, and national governments to protect the ecological richness and culture of the Tibetan Plateau. Whether tracking brown bears, penning fables about the tiny pika, or promoting a groundbreaking conservation preserve, Schaller has pursued his goal with persistence and good humor. *Tibet Wild* is an intimate journey through the wilderness of Tibet, guided by the careful gaze and unwavering passion of a life-long naturalist.

The Black Leopard Will Burrard-Lucas 2021-04-20 This inspiring book tells the story of a photographer's journey to find the mysterious black leopard. There are few creatures as gorgeous and elusive as the black leopard. In Africa, these magnificent cats are so rare as to be the stuff of legend. Will Burrard-Lucas's love for leopards began during his childhood in Tanzania and propelled him into a career as a wildlife photographer. In his quest to create intimate portraits of animals, he developed innovative technology, including a remotely controlled camera buggy and a high quality camera trap system for photographing nocturnal creatures. Then, one day in 2018, he heard about sightings of a young African black leopard in Kenya and with the help of people from the local community, he succeeded in capturing a series of high-quality photographs of the elusive cat. In this compelling and visually stunning book, Burrard-Lucas tells his story of creativity, entrepreneurship, and passion for wild animals, alongside awe-inspiring images of lions, elephants, and the black leopard itself. • STAR WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER: Will Burrard-Lucas's passion for nature and expertise in camera technology have earned him coverage from National Geographic, The New York Times, and the BBC--and over 1 million fans enjoy his breathtaking work online. • NATURE'S HIDDEN WONDERS: Black leopards are individual animals in whom a gene mutation results in excess melanin and an elegant black coat. Most are found in Southeast Asia, where lush vegetation offers them camouflage. In the semiarid shrub lands of Africa, black leopards are extraordinarily rare. Burrard-Lucas's images--showing these beautiful creatures prowling their territory under cover of night--are vivid reminders of nature's hidden wonders. • INCREDIBLE STORY: This is an adventure story that

takes place in remote and wild corners of Africa. It reveals Burrard-Lucas's devotion, vision, and innovation that led to him capturing photos that are not only incredibly rare, but also breathtakingly beautiful. Perfect for: • Aspiring and professional photographers • Photography buffs • Nature and animal lovers • Big cat enthusiasts • Conservationists • National Geographic readers • Fans of memoir and adventure stories • Travelers to Eastern and Southern Africa

The Lost Leopard Jonny Marx 2020-04-02 Join Flora and Fauna, the world's greatest explorers as they embark on an extraordinary adventure in search of an elusive species of wild cat - the clouded leopard. With flaps and paper effects throughout who knows what marvellous things they'll encounter along the way, or what their baby, Bud, may discover on this epic odyssey.

Bamboo Kingdom #1: Creatures of the Flood Erin Hunter 2021-09-28 One kingdom. Three worlds. An all-new series packed with high-stakes adventures from bestselling Warriors author Erin Hunter, perfect for fans of Wings of Fire and Endling. The pandas of the Bamboo Kingdom have never forgotten the great flood that ended the peaceful life they'd always known. But for three young creatures born that day, the flood marks not an end, but a beginning—the beginning of their struggles to find a place in very different worlds. Leaf, raised in the sparse Northern Forest, works tirelessly to help her family find bamboo to eat; Rain, hot-tempered, refuses to accept a suspicious new leader in her Southern Forest community; and Ghost, clumsy and uncoordinated, worries he'll never fit in with his hunter family in the mountains. None of them know that the others are out there, but thanks to a mysterious tiger that's been threatening the Kingdom, they will soon find each other—and fulfill a prophecy that had been made long before they were born. This first book of a thrilling new animal adventure series from Erin Hunter is sure to enthrall readers of her other bestselling series. Fans will love having a new universe to immerse themselves in!

Tibet Wild George B. Schaller 2012-10-03 As one of the world's leading field biologists, George Schaller has spent much of his life traversing wild and isolated places in his quest to understand and conserve threatened species—from mountain gorillas in the Virunga to pandas in the Wolong and snow leopards in the Himalaya. Throughout his celebrated career, Schaller has spent more time in Tibet than in any other part of the world, devoting more than thirty years to the wildlife, culture, and landscapes that captured his heart and continue to compel him to protect them. *Tibet Wild* is Schaller's account of three decades of exploration in the most remote stretches of Tibet: the wide, sweeping rangelands of the Chang Tang and the hidden canyons and plunging ravines of the southeastern forests. As engaging as he is enlightening, Schaller illustrates the daily struggles of a field biologist trying to traverse the impenetrable Chang Tang, discover the calving grounds of the chiru or Tibetan antelope, and understand the movements of the enigmatic snow leopard. As changes in the region accelerated over the years, with more roads, homes, and grazing livestock, Schaller watched the clash between wildlife and people become more common—and more destructive. Thus what began as a purely scientific endeavor became a mission: to work with local communities, regional leaders, and national governments to protect the unique ecological richness and culture of the Tibetan Plateau. Whether tracking brown bears, penning fables about the tiny pika, or promoting a conservation preserve that spans the borders of four nations, Schaller has pursued his goal with a persistence and good humor that will inform and charm readers. *Tibet Wild* is an intimate journey through the changing wilderness of Tibet, guided by the careful gaze and unwavering passion

of a life-long naturalist.

Zoe & Zak and the Ghost Leopard Lars Guignard Some say all children are born with magic inside of them. Zoe Guire is about to find out if that's true. Zoe doesn't believe in ghosts. She doesn't believe in mythical creatures. And she definitely doesn't believe in magic. But it's amazing how quickly everything you think you believe can change when you're confronted by the impossible. When Zoe finds herself lost, halfway around the world, her first thought is that she needs to get back to where she came from. Fast. But her friend Zak has other ideas, and when a peculiar snake charmer directs them deep into the Himalayan Mountains in search of a mythical leopard, what began as an accident soon takes on a life of its own. Zoe isn't worried. Not at first anyhow. Sure the talking elephant is strange, and the snake charming yogi is stranger, but she's a big girl. She figures she can handle it. But then, somewhere between the living statues and the screeching monkeys, Zoe realizes that what is happening to her and Zak is no accident. It's the result of something Zoe has deep within her, an energy so powerful, yet so personal, that she alone can right a deadly wrong. But nobody said confronting an ancient evil would be easy. And Zoe and Zak will have no chance at all unless they put aside their differences and believe. Discover the magic inside of you. Join Zoe and Zak on their Himalayan adventure today. *The adventure continues. When you've finished *Zoe & Zak and the Ghost Leopard*, be sure to read Book Two in the *Zoe & Zak Series: The Yogi's Curse*, followed by Book Three, *The Tiger Temple*. And yes, Book Four is coming soon!

Snow Leopards 2016-06-06 *Snow Leopards: Biodiversity of the World: Conservation from Genes to Landscapes* is the only comprehensive work on the biology, behavior, and conservation status of the snow leopard, a species that has long been one of the least studied, and hence poorly understood, of the large cats. Breakthroughs in technologies and methodologies to study this elusive cat have come rapidly, including non-invasive genetics, camera traps, and GPS-satellite collaring. The book begins with chapters on the genetic standing and taxonomy of the snow leopard, followed by chapters on their behavior and ecology. Additional contributions follow on the current and emerging threats to the species, which include longstanding concerns, such as poaching and conflicts with livestock, and new and emerging threats such as mining and climate change. A section on conservation solutions, backed by valuable case studies, starts with an overview of the important role mountain communities play in assuring the snow leopard's long-term persistence. In addition, chapters on the role of captive snow leopards for the conservation of the species, state-of-the-art techniques and technologies for studying and monitoring snow leopards, status reports from around the region, and future perspectives, such as transboundary conservation initiatives, international conventions (CITES, CMS, etc.), the role of the IUCN Cat Specialist Group and the Snow Leopard Network, and undertakings such as the Global Snow Leopard Forum facilitated by the World Bank are also included. Serves as the first and only comprehensive book on the biology, behavior, and conservation status of the snow leopard Brings together the most current scientific knowledge, documents the most pressing conservation issues, and shares success stories in alleviating the broad threats that now jeopardize the long-term survival of this species Brings current knowledge of the species, not only to researchers and conservationists, but also to decision makers, academics, and students Edited by recognized snow leopard experts, with more than 50 years of collective experience in research and conservation of the species

The Snow Leopard and the Ibex Douglas W. Farnell 2012-08-27 Daniel Prescott, the soft-spoken owner of a small education software company in Seattle, has arranged to join his international business partner on a climbing holiday in the Swiss Alps. Their objective is the famous Matterhorn, a goal Daniel has held since childhood. But their plans are interrupted when Daniel's company is threatened by elements of the U.S. financial crisis. He is unable to get an expansion of credit from any U.S. bank and flies to meet his partner in Istanbul in hopes of securing financing from Turkish sources. But on the trip to meet with a Turkish commercial banker, Daniel's plane, with 186 passengers onboard, is hijacked by six Georgian and Chechnyan terrorists who hold resentments against the Russian Federation. While a prisoner onboard the aircraft, Daniel has a vision of his totem, the nimble Ibex, a mountain goat with large horns, locked in conflict with its nemesis, the Snow Leopard. This dream inspires his transformation into a more complete man who gains greater awareness of his own power. Meanwhile, his close friend, beautiful Arianna Reynolds, becomes aware of his predicament and, prompted by another friend's wisdom, begins a journey of her own to fulfill her desires for Daniel, which she finally recognizes as true love instead of friendship. Can Daniel successfully escape the terrorists' clutches, save his struggling business, and bond with the lovely Seattle woman he has known for so long?

Saving Endangered Species Robert W. Shumaker 2020-10-27 Schaller, Robert W. Shumaker, Sigourney Weaver, Patricia Chapple Wright

End Times Bryan Walsh 2019-08-27 In this history of extinction and existential risk, a Newsweek and Bloomberg popular science and investigative journalist examines our most dangerous mistakes -- and explores how we can protect and future-proof our civilization. *End Times* is a compelling work of skilled reportage that peels back the layers of complexity around the unthinkable -- and inevitable -- end of humankind. From asteroids and artificial intelligence to volcanic supereruption to nuclear war, veteran science reporter and TIME editor Bryan Walsh provides a stunning panoramic view of the most catastrophic threats to the human race. In *End Times*, Walsh examines threats that emerge from nature and those of our own making: asteroids, supervolcanoes, nuclear war, climate change, disease pandemics, biotechnology, artificial intelligence, and extraterrestrial intelligence. Walsh details the true probability of these world-ending catastrophes, the impact on our lives were they to happen, and the best strategies for saving ourselves, all pulled from his rigorous and deeply thoughtful reporting and research. Walsh goes into the room with the men and women whose job it is to imagine the unimaginable. He includes interviews with those on the front lines of prevention, actively working to head off existential threats in biotechnology labs and government hubs. Guided by Walsh's evocative, page-turning prose, we follow scientific stars like the asteroid hunters at NASA and the disease detectives on the trail of the next killer virus. Walsh explores the danger of apocalypse in all forms. In the end, it will be the depth of our knowledge, the height of our imagination, and our sheer will to survive that will decide the future.

Gobi Grizzlies Douglas Chadwick 2016-10-27 In the tradition of Douglas Chadwick's best-selling adventure memoir, *The Wolverine Way*, *Tracking Gobi Grizzlies* creates a portrait of these rarest of bears' fight for survival in one of the toughest, most remote settings on Earth. He demonstrates why saving this endangered animal supports an entire ecosystem made up of hundreds of interconnected plants and animals, from desert roses to Asiatic lynx and wild double-humped camels, all adapting as best they can to the effects of climate

change. A parable of environmental stewardship in a legendary realm.

Saving the Ghost of the Mountain Sy Montgomery 2009 Provides an examination of the elusive snow leopards, who live along the mountain ridges of Mongolia and are seldom seen by humans, through the observations of a scientist and conservation director of the Snow Leopard Trust.