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A Dictionary of Scientific Bird Names James A. Jobling, 1991 This dictionary gives the derivation and meaning of all valid scientific bird names Many fascinating details emerge from the author's meticulous work in tracking down obscure meanings A short but very informative introduction explains the history and purposes of scientific nomenclature and the basic features of Latin in this context It also discusses the ways in which birds have been named for their appearance for a person or place or for some aspect of their habitat behaviour food or voice or with reference to their native language name There is a full bibliography at the end of the volume Each part of the name is defined separately so that *Passer domesticus* for example will not be found as such but both *Passer* and *domesticus* are explained in their respective alphabetical places The usefulness of the Dictionary will thus not be affected by future taxonomic revisions of generic or species names About 8500 names are defined including a selection of historical synonyms This book will find a permanent place on every ornithologist's shelf and will be a valuable reference source for everyone whose work or interests bring them into contact with birds

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