January 2024 Monthly Catalogue

Happy New Year and welcome to the January 2024 edition of the NHBS Monthly Catalogue, which lists all new titles added to our website in the last month.

This month we are opening with a fine selection of books on insects and other invertebrates. NAP Edition has just published Moths of Europe, Volume 8: Microlepidoptera 2: Epipyropidae to Pterophoridae, which concludes this in-depth series after 17 years (volume 1 was published in 2006). NHP Borneo has just published A Taxonomic Guide to the Stick Insects of Java, Volume 1, which continues their ongoing series Taxonomic Guides to the Stick Insects of South East Asia. Please note that lead times for books from Borneo are considerable at the moment. The paperback of

Meetings with Moths: Discovering Their Mystery and Extraordinary Lives is due in April from Fourth Estate. Princeton University Press's series The Lives of the Natural World bridges us from insects to other invertebrates as June will see the release of The Lives of Bees: A Natural History of Our Planet's Bee Life and The Lives of Spiders: A Natural History of the World's Spiders. Lastly, Hodder & Stoughton has announced the paperback of Many Things Under a Rock: The Mysteries of Octopuses for March.

We have several new bird books worth mentioning. Johns Hopkins University Press will release Birds of North America: A Photographic Atlas in June. Two titles that are in stock now are the bilingual fold-out guide Costa Rica: Birds of the Nicoya Peninsula and the Guanacaste Dry Forest from Rainforest Publications and Wildfowl, Issue 73, published annually by Wildfowl Press. Two reissues are the 20th-anniversary edition of How to Be a Bad Birdwatcher, due in February from Short Books, and the paperback of One Midsummer's Day: Swifts and the Story of Life on Earth, due in July from Vintage.

For other vertebrate groups, we have a few titles each. WILDGuides will publish

A Field Guide to the Larger Mammals of South America in June, while Springer will release the paperback of Urban Bats: Biology, Ecology, and Human Dimensions this month. Meanwhile, the Field Studies Council published the second edition of its Mammal Tracks and Signs fold-out guide earlier in 2023. Edition Chimaira has just released a new book about an endemic New Zealand gecko,

Naultinus: Naultinus elegans and Naultinus grayii Biology, Husbandry and Breeding. On the subject of ichthyology, we have stock of Fishes Of The Brazilian Coast, published by Literare Books in Brazil, while the Dutch Veldgids Kustvissen (Field Guide to Coastal Fish of the Netherlands) will be published in June by KNNV.

Moving on to botany and mycology, we have three books on each. Two titles due in June are <u>Trees of Britain and Ireland</u> from WILDGuides and <u>The Lives of Lichens: A Natural History</u> from Princeton University Press, while KNNV will publish the Dutch book

Orchideeën in Nederland: Ecologie, Determinatie & Beheer (Orchids in the Netherlands: Ecology, Identification & Management) in May. Crowood Press has announced

<u>Drawing and Painting Fungi: An Artists Guide to Finding and Illustrating Mushrooms and Lichens</u> for February which, to our knowledge, is the first such practical guide for illustrators and hobbyists. Lastly, the Field Studies Council published two new fold-out guides at the tail-end of 2023 with <u>Distinctive Gilled Fungi</u> and <u>Distinctive Non-Gilled Fungi</u> that are illustrated by Geoffrey Kibby and based on his recently completed four-volume series Mushrooms and Toadstools of Britain & Europe.

Two conservation-related titles caught our eye:

Saving a Rainforest and Losing the World: Conservation and Displacement in the Global Tropics, due in May from Yale University Press, and Peter Wohlleben's How Trees Can Save the World, due in March from HarperCollins, which was originally released in hardback as The Power of Trees.

We end this month's selection with a miscellary of titles. One other interesting book for artists and illustrators is

<u>Drawing Nature: The Creative Process of an Artist, Illustrator, and Naturalist, due in July from Princeton University Press.</u> Environmental historians will be interested in

Hearsay Is Not Excluded: A History of Natural History, due in May from Yale University Press. Marine biologist Helen Scales is writing What the Wild Sea Will Be: The Future of the Ocean, which is due in June from Atlantic Books. Natural history comes from Profile Books with Richard Mabey's new book The Accidental Garden and the paperback reissue of Simon Barnes's The Year of Sitting Dangerously: My Garden Safari, due in March from Simon & Schuster.

As always, if you are looking for a particular title that we do not yet have in our range, or you would like to suggest a title for NHBS to stock, please do get in touch.

Leon Vlieger Catalogue Editor

Insects & other Invertebrates

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