# ORNITHOLOGY

Editor

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### New Issues

Denom Common Name/Scientific Name Scott# Family/Subfamily Code AUSTRALIA 2013 April 2 A\* Bush Babies Part 2 (Sc#3889-93) featuring five animals, but only one stamp features a bird: Also printed in s/a booklet stamps. Designer: Simone Sakinofsky. Offset in sheets of 50 by McKellar Design. 3889 \$1.70 Laughing Kookaburra, Dacelo novaeguineae Alcedinidae 3894 \$1.70 Same bird, s/a bklt stamp 3894a Bklt pane of 5 (Sc#3894) **AUSTRIA** 2013 June 7 A\* A single stamp celebrating the Centennial of the Austrian Nature Protection League. Designer: Teresa Limberger. Offset by Austrian Government Printing Office. 2450 90c Common Kingfisher, Alcedo atthis Alcedinidae **C**\* **BELARUS** 2013 April 10 A SS with a single stamp for Vacations in the Countryside. Designer: Yekaterina Priemko. Offset by Bobruisk. 853 Gruidae 15000r Common Crane, Grus grus 2013 March 12 **A**\* A single non-denominated "P" stamp for Bird of the Year. Designer: Alexander Mityanin. Offset by Bobruisk in sheets of seven stamps and a bottom right label. It is also a Birdlife International designated issue, with the Birdlife emblem in the top right corner of each stamp. 851 (5800r) Eurasian Hoopoe, Upupa epops Upupidae 2013 January 21 A\* A SS with two stamps (Sc#846–47) for the Red Book of flora and fauna of the Republic of Belarus, with a "P" stamp for the bird stamp. Designers: Alexander Mityanin and Yauheniya Bladonik. Offset by Bobruisk. 847 (5800r) European Roller, Coracias garrulus Coraciidae A\* BELGIUM 2013 January 21 Two non-denominated definitives, both birds. One stamp for Association and one for Registered Mail. Designer: Andre Buzin. Offset by State Printer. 2618 (40c) Black Grouse, *Tetrao tetrix* Phasianidae F3 (€5.03) Arctic Tern, Sterna paradisaea Laridae **CAPE VERDE** 2012 A\* Set of six stamps (Sc#984-89) and a SS. No "New Issues" article in Linn's Stamp News, but the designer is Domingos Luisa. Flora and fauna of Santo Antão Protected Area, but only two stamps feature birds.

984	10e	Cape Verde Buzzard, Buteo bannermani	Accipitridae
985	20e	Fea's Petrel, Pterodroma feae	Procellariidae



### CAPE VERDE (continued)

Set of six stamps (Sc#959–64) and a SS. Three of the stamps feature birds. No "New Issues" article in *Linn's Stamp News* for designer, printing method, or printer information. The stamps themselves list the designer as Domingos Luisa. The stamps are for flora and fauna of the Cha Das Caldeiras protected area.

959	\$5	Gray-headed Kingfisher, Halcyon leucocephala	Alcedinidae
961	\$20	Cape Verde Swamp-Warbler, Acrocephalus brevipennis	Acrocephalidae
963	\$60	Fea's Petrel, Pterodroma feae	Procellariidae
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965 SS \$150 Features the Gray-headed Kingfisher and the Cape Verde Swamp-Warbler

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### CHINA (Taiwan)

### 2013 March 20

Five \$10 stamps (Sc#4095–99) and a SS (Sc#4100) of embroidery of the Qing Dynasty, showing bird and flora motifs. Many of the birds are unidentified. No designer information. Offset by Cartor.

4095	\$10	Red-crowned Crane, Grus japonensis	Gruidae
4096	\$10	Crested Myna, Acridotheres cristatellus	Sturnidae

### 2012 November 22

Sheet of three se-tenant stamps (Sc#4077a–c) and a SS (Sc#4078) for Ancient Chinese Paintings. The se-tenant strip of three stamps has details with birds from Three Friends and A Hundred Birds by Pien Wen-chin. The SS designer is Delta Design. Offset by Cartor.

4077a	\$5	Azure-winged Magpie, Cyanopica cyanus	Corvidae	
		Japanese Waxwing, Bombycilla japonica	Bombycillidae	
4077b	\$10	Yellow-billed Grosbeak, Eophona migratoria	Fringillidae	
		Great Tit, Parus minor	Paridae	
		Red-Billed Leiothrix, Leiothrix lutea	Timaliidae	
		Scarlet Minivet, Pericrocotus flammeus	Campephagidae	
		Light-vented Bulbul, Pycnonotus sinensis	Pycnonotidae	
4077c	\$12	Japanese White-eye, Zosterops japonicus	Zosteropidae	
		Azure-winged Magpie, Cyanopica cyanus	Corvidae	
		Eurasian Blackbird, Turdus merula	Turdidae	
		Common Redpoll, Acanthis flammea	Fringillidae	
4078	SS \$70	Eurasian Blackbird, Turdus merula	Turdidae	
		Scarlet Minivet, Pericrocotus flammeus	Campephagidae	
		Black-throated Laughingthrush, Garrulax chinensis	Leiothrichidae	
		Azure-winged Magpie, Cyanopica cyanus	Corvidae	
		Japanese Waxwing, Bombycilla japonica	Bombycillidae	
		White-throated Rock-Thrush, Monticola gularis	Turdidae	Vol.62(1)
		Oriental Magpie-Robin, Copsychus saularis	Muscicapidae	
		Crested Myna, Acridotheres cristatellus	Sturnidae	
		Rufous-tailed Rock-Thrush, Monticola saxatilis	Turdidae	
		Eurasian Tree Sparrow, Passer montanus	Passeridae	
ESTON	IA	2013 March 7		<b>A</b> *
Single st	amp for Bi	rd of the Year. Designer: Vladimir Taiger. Offset by Vaba Maa.		

72545cGray Partridge, Perdix perdixPhasianidae

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### **FINLAND** (Åland Islands) 2013 April 5 A booklet of four non-denominated stamps of loons and grebes issued for World Wildlife Fund for mail to European countries (each stamp includes the WWF Panda emblem). Designer: Bo Lundwall. Offset in booklets of eight stamps by Fosten Sverige.

$340b$ $\notin 1$ Red-throated Loon, Gavia stellataG $340c$ $\notin 1$ Horned Grebe, Podiceps auritusP	Gaviidae Gaviidae Podicipedidae Podicipedidae
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FRENCH SOUTHERN & ANTARCTIC TERR. **C**\* 2013 May 17 Single stamp on a large SS with penguins and a map. No "New Issues" article has yet appeared in Linn's Stamp *News*, so no designer, printing method, or printer information at this time.

489 €5 Adelie Penguin, Pygoscelis adeliae Spheniscidae 2013 January 1 R\* Sheet of six stamps (Sc#480a-f) of Helicopters of the Polar Region, with stamps featuring penguins. Designer and engraver: Pierre Albuisson. Intaglio by Philapost.

480a	€1	Adelie Penguin, Pygoscelis adeliae	Spheniscidae
480c	€1	King Penguin, Aptenodytes patagonicus	Spheniscidae

### 2013 January 1

Pane of four stamps of different views of ducks. Designer and engraver: Claude Andreotto. Intaglio and Offset by Philapost.

479a	20c	Eaton's Pintail, Anas eatoni (duck in water)	Anatidae	Vol.62(2)
479b	60c	Same bird, heads of two ducks		
479c	€1	Same bird, duck and eggs		
4704	€1 45	Same hird hard of ducks ducks in flight		

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### 2013 January 1

Single wide stamp for Mawson's Huts and a picture of the explorer, Douglas Mawson, and two penguins. Designer: Claude Andreotto. Intaglio by Philapost.

476 €1.45 Adelie Penguin, Pygoscelis adeliae Spheniscidae

**C**\* 2013 January 1 Single stamp for Charles Petijean, a polar helicopter pilot. Designer and engraver: Yves Beaujard. Intaglio by Philapost.

473 65c Adelie Penguin, Pygoscelis adeliae

### 2012 November 2

SS with a single wide stamp of bridges with penguins. Designer and engraver: Aurelie Baras. Intaglio and Offset by Philapost.

470 €2 Adelie Penguin, Pygoscelis adeliae

### 2012 June 9

Set of five se-tenant stamps (Sc#468a-e) for the French National Center for Space Studies in the French Southern and Antarctic Territories and polar region. Only one stamp features birds. No designer information provided, but a name on the stamp border of C. Poupon could be the designer. Gravure in sheets of five stamps and five labels by Philapost.

468b	60c	King Penguin, Aptenodytes patagonicus	Spheniscidae
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<b>FIJI</b> Pane of eight \$2 st Colour Print.	<b>2012 July 11</b> amps with four designs for World Wildlife Fund. Designer: Sue V	A* Wickinson. Offset by Southern
1286b \$2 1286c \$2	Collared Lory, <i>Phigys solitarius</i> (two birds) Same bird, single bird facing left Same bird, single bird eating fruit Same bird, head only	Psittacidae
	NESIA2013 April 26nps (Sc#1096–98) for fauna and flora of French Polynesia, but of uet. Offset by Philapost.	A* only one stamp features a bird.
1098 190fr 1098a	Chestnut-breasted Munia, <i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i> SS of 3 (Sc#1096–98)	Estrildidae
	<b>2013 May 1</b> 2346a–c) for the Liberation of West Irian 50th Anniversary. Con. Offset by Perum Peruri.	<b>B</b> * Dne stamp features a bird. No
2346c 2500r	Lesser Bird-of-Paradise, Paradisaea minor	Paradisaeidae
<b>IRAQ</b> Set of four stamps	<b>2012 December 13</b> and an imperforate SS, all of falcons. Designer: Ali Sherchi. Offs	A* set by Green Glory.
1892500d1893750d18941000d	Gyrfalcon, Falco rusticolus Lanner Falcon, Falco biarmicus Saker Falcon, Falco cherrug Peregrine Falcon, Falco peregrinus Peregrine Falcon, Falco peregrinus	Falconidae Falconidae Falconidae Falconidae Falconidae
	<b>2013 April 2</b> dlife (Sc#1991–94) of which two are of birds. No listing of this iss o listing of designer or printing method.	A* ue in <i>Linn 's Stamp News</i> under
	Golden Eagle, Aquila chrysaetos (s/a coil) European Goldfinch, Spinus carduelis (s/a bklt)	Accipitridae Fringillidae
<b>ISRAEL</b> Three stamps with	<b>2013 April 2</b> tabs, all of vultures. Designers: Zvika Roitman and Tuvia Kurtz.	A* Offset by Cartor.
1970 3s	Lappet-faced Vulture, <i>Torgos tracheliotus</i> Egyptian Vulture, <i>Neophron percnopterus</i> Lammergeier, <i>Gypaetus barbatus</i> Eurasian Griffon, <i>Gyps fulvus</i>	Accipitridae Accipitridae Accipitridae Accipitridae
Pane of three se-ter	<b>2012 December 12</b> nant stamps (Sc#1960a–c) for Wildlife Conservation, showing ha rd. Designers: Igal Gabai and Tuvia Kurtz. Offset by Cartor;	- A*
1960c 3s	Imperial Eagle, Aquila heliaca	Accipitridae
-	<b>2013 May 23</b> 544–48) for rare flora and fauna (Part 3), with one stamp featurin p printer information.	<b>A*</b> g a bird. Designer: Hoshiyama

3545 80¥ Ryukyu Robin, *Larvivola komadori* 

	d) <b>2013 April 16</b> et of stamps of travel scenes in Japan showing sites in Tateyan se-tenant format of ten stamps, with only stamp featuring a bird.				
3531a 80¥	Rock Ptarmigan, Lagopus muta	Phasianidae			
<b>LITHUANIA</b> A single stamp for information provid	<b>2013 April 6</b> National Bird. Designers: Roberta Masidlauskyte and Rolandas ed.	A* Grigaravicius. Offset, no printer			
996 7L	White Stork, Ciconia ciconia	Ciconiidae			
<b>MONACO</b> A single stamp for	<b>2013 June 5</b> SEPAC. Designer: Giuseppe Mazza. Offset by Philapost.	<b>A</b> *			
2727 80c	Yellow-legged Gull, Larus michahellis	Laridae			
	<b>2013 March 19</b> Int stamps (Sc#2474a–t) for Classic Travel Posters, but only one his issue at time of writing.	A* e stamp features a bird. No "New			
24741 70c	Kea, Nestor notabilis	Psittacidae			
a bird. Designers: l	<b>2012 July 4</b> C* Pane of 20 se-tenant stamps (Sc#2415a–t) for Part 2 of Tiki Tour of the South Island, but only two stamps feature a bird. Designers: Evan Purdie and Geoff Francis. Offset by Southern Colour Print.				
24150 70p 2415t 70p	Kea, Nestor notabilis Royal Albatross, Diomedea epomophora Unidentified penguins	Psittacidae Diomedeidae Spheniscidae			
<b>POLAND</b> SS of a Polish bird	<b>2013 April 12</b> . Designer: Marzanna Dabrowska. Offset, but no printing metho	A* od or printer name.			
4074 4.55z	Common Kingfisher, Alcedo atthis	Alcedinidae			
PORTUGAL2013 March 23A*Four non-denominated stamps for falconry and falconry equipment. Designer: Francisco Galamba. Offset by Imprensa Nactional Cas De Moeda.Offset by					
3493 (47c)   3494 (68c)   3495 (80c)	Eurasian Sparrowhawk, Accipiter nisus Golden Eagle, Aquila chrysaetos	Falconidae Accipitridae Accipitridae Accipitridae			
SURINAME2011 April 4B*Twelve se-tenant stamps (Sc#1419a–l) for the 25th Anniversary of International Paper Money show, but only one of the banknotes features a bird. Designer: Studio Labranda. Offset by Enschede.B*					

### TONGA

### 2013 June 6

Part 2 of bird stamp definitives. Printed with and without white frames. Designer: Alison Dittko. Offset in sheets of 20 and miniature sheets of 12, with the stamps se-tenant.

1203	10c	Collared Kingfisher, Todiramphus chloris (Cap: Halcyon)	Alcedinidae
1204	20c	Polynesian Starling, Aplonis tabuensis	Sturnidae
1205	30c	Blue-crowned Lorikeet, Vini australis	Psittacidae
1206	40c	Great Frigatebird, Fregata minor	Fregatidae
1207	50c	Red-footed Booby, Sula sula	Sulidae
1208	80c	Red-tailed Tropicbird, Phaethon rubricauda	Phaethontidae
1209	90c	Black Noddy, Anous minutus	Laridae
1210	1.10pa	Polynesian Triller, Lalage maculosa	Campephagidae
1211	1.20pa	Spotless Crake, Porzana tabuensis	Rallidae
1212	2pa	Wattled Honeyeater, Foulehaio carunculatus	Meliphagidae
1213	12.50pa	Red Shining-Parrot, Prosopeia tabuensis	Psittacidae
1214	20pa	Many-colored Fruit-Dove, Ptilinopus perousii	Columbidae
1215a–l		The same birds as listed above, but without the white borders	

### SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

On 4 September 2013, the Czech Post issued a miniature sheet of four with four labels to promote Nature Protection of the Karlštejn National Nature Reserve. Unlike similar sheets from other authorities, this one clearly notes the identifications of each species depicted except for one. Your challenge is to find and identify it.

The sheet is  $177 \times 121$ mm with the perf 12 stamps measuring  $50 \times 40$ mm and  $23 \times 40$ mm. Graphic designers were Libuše and Jaromír Knotek and the engraver was Martin Srb. Printing by Post Printing House.

The Karlštejn National Nature Reserve (16km<sup>2</sup>) was established in

1955. It covers the area between the town of Beroun and the villages of Vráž, Mořina, Karlštejn, and Srbsko, within the Bohemian Karst Protected Landscape Area (128km<sup>2</sup>) established in 1972. The geology consists of limestone rocks with jagged karst canyons, ravines, and numerous caves, some of which are archeologically valuable.

The area was first populated as early as 40,000 years ago. The thermophilic plants growing in the reserve are typical of the Mediterranean region. Some local species, such as the pyramidal orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), the Austrian dragonhead (*Dracocephalum austriacum*), and rare orchid species, are unique and cannot be found anywhere else in Bohemia. Local animals include numerous rare species, including more than 200 species of carabid beetles; two amphibians, the great crested newt (*Triturus cristatus*) and the less frequent Alpine newt (*Triturus alpestris*); and the endangered wallcreeper (*Tichodroma muraria*) as a representative of birds.