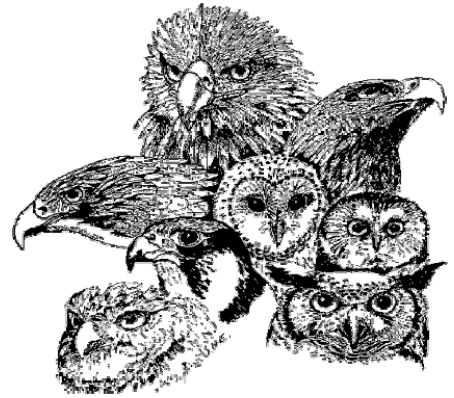


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## *Raptor Experience! Reading List*

### Nature Themed Books for Young Readers

**An Adventure with Olivia Owl.** By Maurice Pledger.

Olivia, a young owl, goes looking through the woods to find other owls.

**The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark.** By Jill Tomlinson.

A barn owl learns to love the night.

**Little Owl.** By Piers Haper.

A soft-touch book in which a little owl explores the world with his mom.

**The Eagle and the Wren.** By Jane Goodall.

A fable retold by Jane Goodall about birds flying high.

**Owl's Secret.** By Louise Gallop.

A fable about how the snowy owl got its white feathers.

**My Little Book of Burrowing Owls.** By Hope Irvin Marston.

The story of a burrowing owl family and their nature history.

**Where Would I Be in an Evergreen Tree?** By Jennifer Blomgran.

The evergreen forest is a busy neighborhood. Learn where the Spotted Owls and their neighbors live.

**I'm Not Cute!** By Jonathan Allen.

A baby owl wants everyone to stop calling him cute. He is a predator, after all.

**Owl Babies.** By Martin Waddell.

Three owl siblings brave the night while their mother is out hunting.

**The Owl and the Pussycat.** By Edward Lear and Jan Brett.

A poetic story of an owl and a pussycat. After a year's engagement, they get married.

**The Lorax. By Dr. Seuss.**

Dr. Seuss' environmental story examining pollution and habitat destruction.

**Whoo-oo Is It? By Megan McDonald.**

A Barn Owl is able to hear the slightest of sounds.

**The Christmas Hat. By A.J. Wood.**

A Barn Owl lives with many different animals in the snowy woods.

**The Barn Owls. By Tony Johnson.**

A story of a Barn Owl family raising their young.

**So What Saw-Whet? By Rochelle Frank.**

Lovely photos of a wild Saw-whet Owl make this book charming.

**Screech Owl at Midnight Hollow. C. Drew Lamm.**

The story of a Screech Owl family in a tree hole at Midnight Hollow.

**The Windhover. By Alan Brown.**

A story of a young boy who takes a young kestrel only to realize that he cannot care for it and he returns it to the nest.

**Billywise. By Judith Nicholls.**

A young Barn Owl learns to fly with the encouragement of his mother.

**Owl at Home. By Arnold Lobel.**

A Great Horned Owl has to spend a long stormy winter night home alone.

**Sam and the Firefly. By P.D. Eastman.**

Sam the owl and his firefly friend Gus enjoy "writing" words in the sky.

### **Nature Themed Books for Older Readers**

**The Skull Alphabet Book. By Jerry Pallotta and Ralph Masiello.**

Readers learn to identify skulls by the bone and teeth structure.

**Challenger: American's Favorite Eagle. By Margot Theis Raven.**

The true story of an orphaned eagle, Challenger, who cannot be released into the wild. He instead becomes an ambassador for birds of prey across the country.

**Stewart: The Skyscraper Falcon. By Linda Burman.**

The true story of a falcon family nesting on a skyscraper in downtown Seattle, WA.

**Saguaro Moon: A Desert Journal. By Kristin Joy Pratt-Serafini.**

Readers learn about the ecology of the Sonoran Desert from the point of view of a young girl's nature journal.

**One Wing's Gift: Rescuing Alaska's Wild Birds. By Joan Harris.**

The reader is taken on the personal journeys of several wild birds that are treated at the Bird Treatment and Learning Center in Anchorage, Alaska.

**Backyard Rescue: An Ecological Adventure. By Hope Ryden.**

Two ten-year-old girls enjoy rescuing and rehabilitating wild animals.

**Matthew's Meadow. By Corinne Demas Bliss.**

A red-tailed hawk teaches Matthew to use his senses to fully appreciate the natural world.

**My Side of the Mountain. By Jean Craighead George.**

Newberry Award winner, George, creates a wonderful tale about a young boy, Sam, who runs away to live off the land with his Peregrine Falcon, Frightful.

**On the Far Side of the Mountain. By Jean Craighead George.**

The second book in the trilogy; Sam and Frightful's adventures continue.

**Frightful's Mountain. By Jean Craighead George.**

The third book in the trilogy; Sam and Frightful's adventures concludes.

**Dreambirds. By David Ogden.**

A young Native American boy searches for his dreambird by learning about wild animals and himself.

**Eagle. Tom Lang.**

A humorous story from the point of view of a young male eagle trying to land a date.

**The Hardy Boys: The Hooded Hawk Mystry. By Franklin W. Dixon.**

A mystery story involving a Peregrine Falcon.

**Hawk Hill. By Suzie Gilbert.**

A young boy moves to a new town, finds a raptor rehabilitation center, and learns about letting go.

**Brother Eagle, Sister Sky: The Words of Chief Seattle. Paintings by Susan Jeffers.**

A Suquamish chief describes his people's respect for the natural world.

**Frightful's Daughter.** By Jean Craighead George.

Frightful, from the classic story My Side of the Mountain, now has a family of her own.

**Hawk, I'm Your Brother.** By Byrd Baylor.

A Native American boy hopes that a hawk will teach him to fly.

**Tiger with Wings.** By Barbara Juster Esbensen.

Describes the life history of Great Horned Owls.

**Night Creatures.** By Sysanne Santoro Whyne.

A fascinating look at nocturnal animals all around us in our communities.

**The Guardians of Ga'Hoole.** By Kathryn Lasky.

A series of nine adventure books with owls as main characters with natural history components throughout the story.

**Everybody's Somebody's Lunch.** By Cherie Mason.

An intriguing look at predators and a young girl's realization that there are not "good animals" and "bad animals," just animals. *Teacher's Guide available.*

**Arrowhawk.** By Lola M. Schaefer.

Based on a true story of a red tailed hawk that becomes pierced by an arrow and survives 8 weeks in the wild.

**Hoot.** By Carl Hiaasen.

A wacky look at how three friends work to save Burrowing Owls. *Teacher's Guide available.*

**There's an Owl in the Shower.** By Jean Craighead George.

Examines the uneasy conflict between the Northern Spotted Owl and human industry.

**Pass the Energy, Please!** Barbara Shaw McKinney.

A rhyming examination of the connectedness of all of the world's organisms. Everyone is someone's lunch.

**Flute's Journey: The Life of a Wood Thrush.** By Lynne Cherry.

Follow a Wood Thrush from the breeding grounds of North America to the wintering ground of South America and back again.