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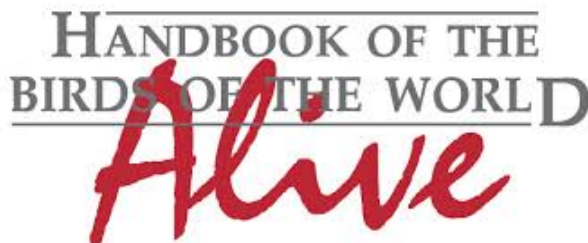
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HBW Alive



The complete series Handbook of the Birds of the World (HBW) will now be known to many readers of this site. The series of 16 large red books published between 1992 and 2012, providing a complete overview of all types of this world. After the publication of part 16 there appeared a final part - New Species and Global Index, which includes the species described since the books are published.

Based on the work of the Handbook and the set of species boundary criteria published in Tobias *et al.* (2010), the authors work with BirdLife International to a complete illustrated checklist of the birds of the world. This is now one part appeared, and the second part is expected in 2016. This information (read: the taxonomic knowledge) are included in HBW Alive.

For reviews of volumes of the series, I refer to:

- [Dutch Birding 15, 2 \(1993; HBW review - part 1\)](#) ;
- [Dutch Birding 17, 6 \(1995; HBW review - part 2\)](#) and
- [Dutch Birding 25, 3 \(2003: Review HBW - Part 7\)](#) .

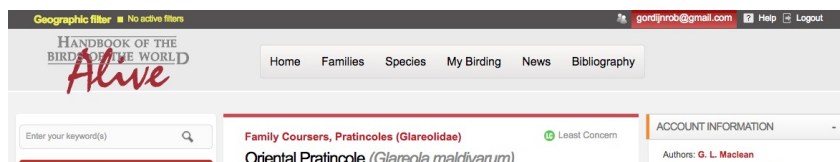
Part 1 of the illustrated checklist will review soon appear on this site.

All this information from 19 hefty book is now available through a website; 13.367 pages, 10.200 distribution maps, over 20,600 images, approximately 100,000 references; a total of 15 million words. All this is perfectly accessible and searchable for less than € 2.50 per month (for that amount you doing there 100 years before you have saved the books together). But even if you've listed all the books in the closet is a subscription to HBW Alive more than worth it, because there are daily additions and improvements.

The website is user with access to all information via a search function, a taxonomic tree through which all families, species and subspecies are found. In addition, there is also a tree divided into geographical regions and then bio countries. Through a navigation bar, there are also links directly to families, species, news and references.

A list of the most useful functions and / or salient features:

- Updates compared to the book - in the first parts sound was often described, which will be added to all species groups, the first parts were published in 1993, the knowledge that has since become known is processed in the kind of texts.
- Completely new kind of texts for new splits based on the new HBW / Birdlife checklist.
- All kind of plates in which to make their own selection, for instance on land. So I have myself for my last trip to Sulawesi a picture book created from HBW Alive Sulawesi.
- All references are searchable (that's 357 times refer to Dutch Birding) and traceable if they are available online. Daily with new additions.
- Opportunity to create add things to sort through texts Wikicontributions.
- Ornithological news and news about newly published species.
- The ability to keep your world list includes observations based on the HBW / BirdLife taxonomy (functionality is extended).
- Links to photos, videos and sound recordings.



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