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# The Animal Dialogues: Uncommon Encounters In The Wild





## Synopsis

From one of the finest nature writers at work in America today-a lyrical, dramatic, illuminating tour of the hidden domain of wild animals. Whether recalling the experience of being chased through the Grand Canyon by a bighorn sheep, swimming with sharks off the coast of British Columbia, watching a peregrine falcon perform acrobatic stunts at 200 miles per hour, or engaging in a tense face-off with a mountain lion near a desert waterhole, Craig Childs captures the moment so vividly that he puts the reader in his boots. Each of the forty brief, compelling narratives in THE ANIMAL DIALOGUES focuses on the author's own encounter with a particular species and is replete with astonishing facts about the species' behavior, habitat, breeding, and lifespan. But the glory of each essay lies in Childs's ability to portray the sometimes brutal beauty of the wilderness, to capture the individual essence of wild creatures, to transport the reader beyond the human realm and deep inside the animal kingdom

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This is the rare book that lifts the gaze from the mundane to the sublime. Mr. Childs, thank you. May

your trails be wild and fill of light and life.

An excellent read for nature lovers. Craig Childs is a gifted writer. He is generally understated, lyrical, thoughtful, and elegant.

one of my favorite books ever

This was an unusual book, both in style and content. The author provides an intimate view into the lives of a variety of animals along with just enough scientific background to establish his credentials. It also provides insight into the life of a unique individual who lives his life as few of us could imagine. The short segments that can be read in any order make it a great book to read while traveling.

I don't think I've enjoyed a nonfiction book quite as much as I did this one. Me being a hiker made it all the more relevant. I also bought the book for my son-in-law who climbs and mountain bikes. The author's respect for the animal world was very impressive.

He manages to make one feel right there beside him experiencing all the gasps of wonder or fear .just love his writing

Have given this book to many friends as gifts. Really enjoyed these stories and Child's writing.

A great book that is written beautifully. Wonderful and intimate encounters with many animals. However, I didn't like the chapter on dogs.

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