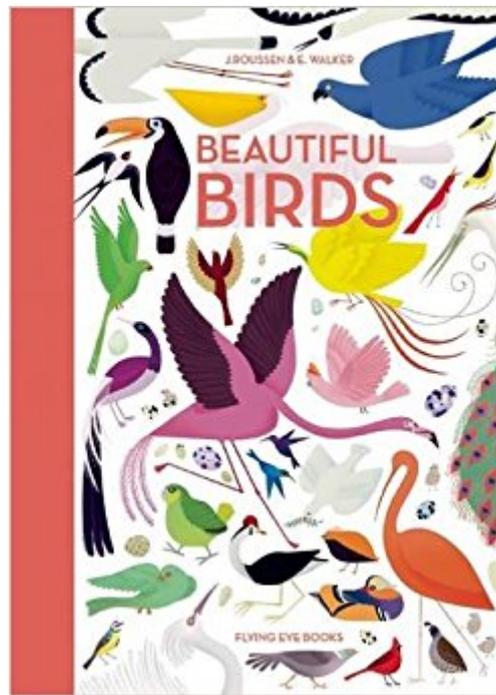


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# Beautiful Birds



## Synopsis

In this stunningly illustrated introduction to the world's most beautiful birds, Jean Roussen and Emmanuelle Walker pay homage to an alphabet of birds in all their feathery fancies. From Warblers to Blue-tits and Kakapos to Owls, Roussen's playful, melodic poem is complemented beautifully by Walker's delicate illustrations. Jean Roussen is a Swiss French graphic designer and writer who dabbles in publishing from time to time. Emmanuelle Walker is an animation director and illustrator from Montreal, Quebec. As well as contributing to Nobrow magazine (Nobrow 8: Hysteria), she has worked with international animation studios across the world (Walt Disney Ltd., Sherbert and Nexus). She lives and works in London, England.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 7 years

Grade Level: Preschool and up

## Customer Reviews

This book is beautiful with great illustrations. It's a pretty tall book, and as such, might have trouble fitting on a standard children's bookshelf. As much as I love the illustrations, I find the rhyming patterns to be a little awkward for my taste. "K is for kakapo, the parrot of the night and K is for kiwi: two strange birds that lack flight." There are also references that will go over children's heads- "L is for lyrebird, like the string instrument." Other times, the text seems to be making a point that I am not sure I understand- "and mandarin ducks, the oddest of couples." Why are they odd couples? I

guess you can take a lot of your questions to Google after reading this book. I had hoped for a cool book to showcase various birds to my child, but I'm not sure this hits the mark. I wish that they had included a pronunciation guide in the back of the book, perhaps along with a few sentences describing each type of bird mentioned in the book. I suppose that would take this book from being just entertaining to being educational as well.

This book is so pretty. It has a touch of neon. My kids love this. The only thing you should be aware of is the letter x shows a statue of a man covered by a leaf :( Not always welcome in a kid book.

Beautiful birds is another incredible book from Flying Eye Books. A really fun, informative rhyming alphabet book which shines the spotlight on birds. In true Flying Eye form the illustrations are breathtaking with some of the most beautiful use of color I've ever seen (think neons). Page after page of this oversized book is an artful feast for the eyes. The toucans are seriously frame worthy. Walker truly outdid herself on this masterpiece. I received this book for free in exchange for my honest opinions. I was in no way compensated for this review. My opinions are honest and my own.

Targeted for the Grades 1-4 group this is a stunning book that covers birds of the alphabet from A (Albatross) through -Z (Zosteropidae). Each page features a beautiful bird (or two) and a one-line rhyming phrase about the bird(s). The 4 - year old loved this book as they are studying birds in science at preschool. This one is a keeper for the permanent bookshelves (although it's one of those taller books that may require a higher shelf space. Gorgeous book - BUY IT (or at least ask your library to purchase this one) !

5 stars for the illustrations. The art is compelling and exciting with the repetition of patterns and vivid colors. Each page beguiles you to study it. If your child is fascinated by birds and would enjoy seeing them in an artful display, this book offers it up. It covers birds A to Z with inventive rhyme. Great graphic design!

I bought this book as a present for a friend biologist cq birdlover. I only buy presents I'd like to get myself. I'd fall for the refreshing and slick design as well for the sharp illustrations. Wonderful! Now I just wait till someone give it to me.

Beautiful illustrations with fun rhymes. The A-Z birds are a nice mix of standard and tropical species.

My boys love looking at the images!

Beautiful Birds is a 12" x 9" fully illustrated "A is for" book. By this description, I mean that each letter of the alphabet has a bird associated with it. For example, "A is for albatross, the admiral of the skies. B is for bee-eaters, BEWARE any bug that flies." Each page is dedicated to one bird, with a vibrantly colored illustration, and a one-line descriptor, as seen above. As you can also see there is a bit of a rhyming scheme to this book, but a lot of the descriptors are too advanced for the intended audience of this book. "Q is for quetzal, a god among us." How many 7 year-old children will know about the Aztecs and their deities? If you take this book at face value, which is a gorgeously illustrated book that can teach your children the alphabet and birds at the same time, then it is a top-notch book. If your children have more questions after reading about some of these birds, then you could make expand the lesson for this book and research the birds that interest them. You could also use it as a beginner's field guide. Overall, a quality made book that your kids will enjoy reading through.

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