

Unlike any other book, *Avian Cognition* thoroughly examines avian intelligence, behavior, and individuality. Preferences, choices, motivation, and habits of species, flocks, and individual birds are discussed and compared. This book investigates who birds are and why they do what they do. Daily, seasonal, and play activities, creativity, reasoning abilities, problem-solving skills, social interaction, life stages, and communication patterns are described, and a distinction is made between vocalizations that are learned and those that are inherited. The behavior and intelligence of both wild and pet birds is compared, and unlike other books, entire chapters are devoted to a single species.

Features

- Identifies and records new vocalizations and complete avian conversations in two audio CDs.
- Identifies new behaviors, compares the behavior of wild and pet birds of the same species, and includes photographs of many new behaviors never before documented.
- Devotes entire chapters to a single species so that all information related to a species is easily accessible.
- Establishes a new framework for evaluating avian intelligence and related concepts.
- Information is accessible to general, professional, and academic readers alike.