

INTRODUCED MAMMALS OF THE WORLD



Introduced species pose one of the most important threats to biodiversity and are one of the major engines of ecological disintegration.

This comprehensive work provides an account of the movement of 337 species of mammals around the world. It provides details on the date of introduction, the person or agency responsible, the source populations, the location of release, the fate of the introductions, and the impact, if known, of the introduction. The book is a companion volume to *Introduced Birds of the World*, which remains the premier text of its kind in the world, twenty years after it was first published.

Introduced Mammals of the World is an essential reference for students of ecological systems management and biological conservation. It provides an invaluable tool by which scientists can assess future potential introductions (or re-introductions) and so avoid costly mistakes. It also provides tangible proof of the need for political decision-makers to consider good advice and make wise and cautious decisions.



About the author

John Long had a life-long interest in the impacts that exotic fauna have on their 'new homes'. His landmark publication, *Introduced Birds of the World*, published in 1981, became the 'working bible' for conservation managers and students of avian fauna introductions throughout the world.

A passionate traveller, John Long visited South-east Asia, Japan, the Pacific, North and South America, the United Kingdom and Europe. His last journey—on the Trans-Siberian railway—fulfilled a life-long ambition to see western Asia and parts of China. These trips provided him with first-hand experience of the conditions that supported introductions of exotic fauna.

'This book represents a major compilation and is destined to be a standard reference work for many years to come.'

Professor Stephen Harris
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