

Authors & Contributors



Quentin Meunier is a botanist by profession. He has lived in Sub-saharan Africa for more than 10 years, including 5 years in Western Uganda, where he worked throughout the country. During that time he wrote several books on trees, including “Alternatives to exotic species in Uganda - growth and cultivation of 85 indigenous trees”. He first encountered Uganda’s birds whilst striding through tropical forests studying trees and his bird photographs in 2004 were the beginning of a real passion. Based now in Central Africa with his wife and two kids, he is still involved daily in promoting sustainable management and forest conservation. He began this book in 2008 in his free time, and was joined in 2011 by Sherry McKelvie, together gradually developing the project one page at a time. He is dedicating this book to his family and friends, whom supported him throughout the years to accomplished this project.



Sherry McKelvie is a business woman running her own company selling generators and construction equipment in Kampala, Uganda, where she has lived for 24 years. Married, with 2 sons and 4 grandchildren, she loves to photograph birds and other wildlife in her spare time. Her garden on the edge of a papyrus swamp on the outskirts of Kampala is a constant source of birdlife, as is the family weekend cottage on Bulago Island in Lake Victoria. Involvement in this book has deepened her interest in Uganda’s birdlife and its future as an amazing tourist destination for birders. She is a member of USAGA (Uganda Safari Guides Association) and is also involved with the Uganda Wildlife Education Centre. She also paints watercolours and has written articles for magazines such as Africa Geographic (more photos on www.sherry-mckelvie.com). She is dedicating this book to her father, who would spend hours repeatedly looking at her bird photos during his struggle with Alzheimers.

The main contributor is Amelie Morin, who has provided more than a hundred photographs for this book. She is an environmentalist and a cartographer and has worked in Africa since 2005. Several prominent birders also contributed closely to this project, by sharing their wisdom and revising its content. The authors are grateful to Johnny Kamugisha (www.birdinginparadise.com), Alfred Twinomujini (www.avianwatchuganda.co.ug) and ornithologist Robert Skeen for their invaluable assistance.