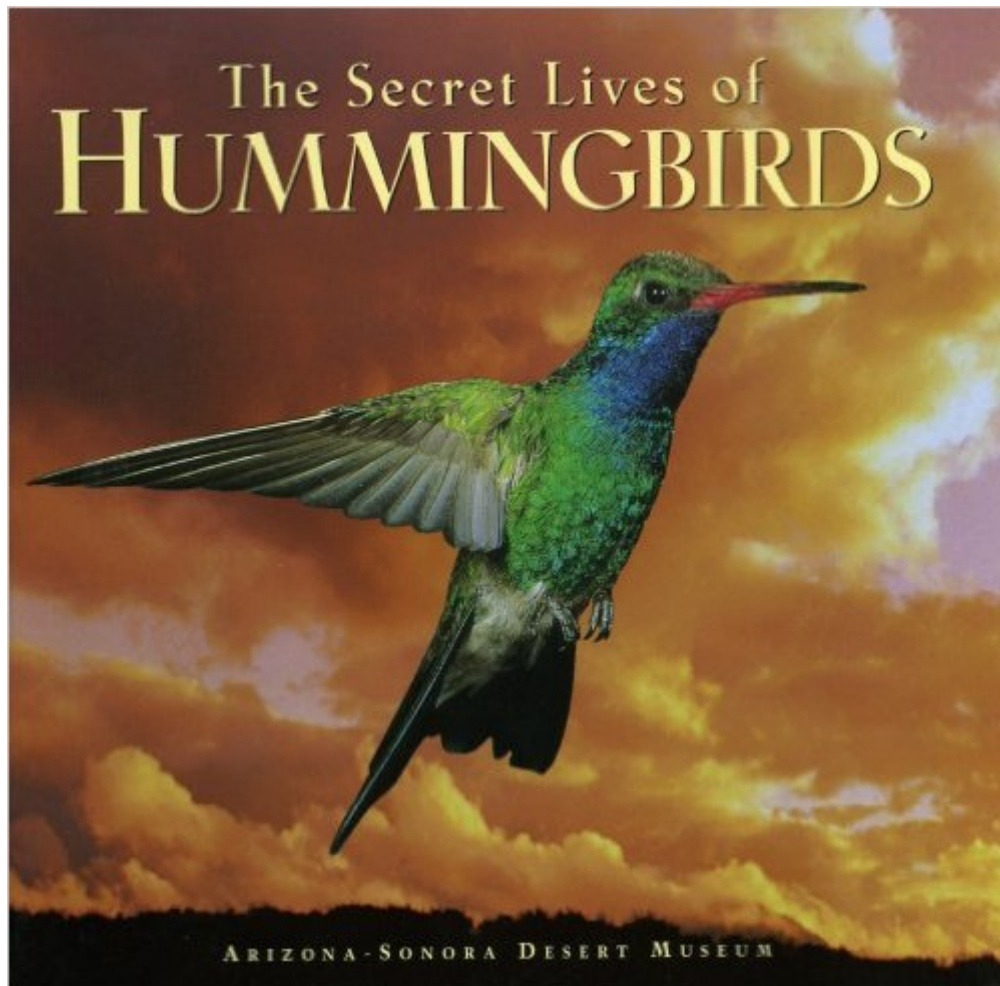


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# The Secret Lives Of Hummingbirds



## Synopsis

There is a sense of mystery that surrounds hummingbirds: Why are they so small? What makes it possible for them to hover? Why are they so colorful? Do they ever rest? This book gives the often amazing answers. The Secret Lives of Hummingbirds takes the reader into the high-energy world of North America's smallest bird. Hearts that beat 500 to more than 1200 times per minute. Wings that buzz at as much as 52 beats per second. And respiration that can clock in at up to 600 breaths per minute. But their energetic lifestyle is only one facet of the secret lives of hummingbirds. Illustrated with twenty-nine full-color photographs, The Secret Lives of Hummingbirds is a treat for birders, naturalists, or anyone else who can't resist the allure of these eye-catching, pugnacious miniature birds. The book also includes a close-up look at the Desert Museum's famous hummingbird aviary as well as tips on how to enjoy and attract wild hummingbirds. It's no wonder that The Secret Lives of Hummingbirds is our most popular publication!

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## Customer Reviews

I bought this book for my dad who lives in Tuscon AZ because of all the different species he has there (here in VA we're blessed with the Ruby-throated little sprites but no others). The pictures in this book are worth it alone. They're close-up and amazing! It really does give you a good peek into the lives of hummers. Highly recommend especially as a gift book for an overview of hummers (other books give more in-depth details of their real lives, miration but this gives a great overview)

The book is very readable and has lots of interesting information about hummingbirds. Makes me

want to visit the museum now for a photo tour. The book is only 22 pages long, however, so be aware of that in ordering.

You really cannot go wrong with this one if you have any interest in these wonderful little creatures what-so-ever. I have been watching, photographing, feeding and studying these little birds for years now. It is rather amazing that the author could pack so much information into one small volume and give us some wonderful photographs to boot. We here in Missouri have only the Ruby Throated, but, and I am lucky, I know, we are able to travel to other parts of the country and view other species. No matter how much you know of these birds, you are sure to pick up some new information in this work. As another reviewer pointed out, the photographs are well worth the price of the book. Recommend this one highly.

I thought I knew a little about hummingbirds, but I found there was a lot I didn't know. This book is full of information on hummingbirds, their traits, their travel and when they sleep, the size of the eggs they lay, etc. A perfect book for anyone who is mesmerized by these beautiful little creatures.

I bought this book when I visited the Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum. It was nice and short to read, with a variety of topics covered. I really enjoyed it, and the pictures were great too.

This is a wonderful Book!! The pictures are fantastic!! Makes a great table book but unlike most table books it's full of everything you need or want to know not just pretty pictures. I "Raise" Hummers in the wild and it has provided me with a wealth of information regarding these truly magnificent creatures. I'm constantly referring to it! I wish it wasn't such a beautiful book! That way I wouldn't worry so much about dog earing it up!!hehe!!

This is a lovely book but the prospective reader should note that the cover is printed on the same paper as the rest of the book: light, semi-gloss paper. Esp. considering it contains just 22 pages, this is more of a booklet than a paperback book. I hope the publisher will consider putting out an edition with a real paperback cover. ps To the publisher's credit, the color reproductions are top notch.

The book is good for a beginner just getting into the little marvels. I found it to be information I'd already gathered over the last thirty years, repeated. It's a nice little book but I will pass it on to

someone who will appreciate it.

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