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Cormorants: ecology and management

Thomas M. Keller & David N. Carss (eds.)

The production of the proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Cormorants, in Freising, Bavaria, southern Germany, is in its final stages. The publication will appear early 2003.

Ecological, behavioural and demographic studies form a major part of the approx. 50 contributions to this special issue. However, applied issues are also considered and many studies refer to management measures that have been taken with respect to the birds' interaction with fisheries. Trends in numbers and distribution, particularly of the continental race of the Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*, continue to be an important part of our world. However, it will also be dealt with the less frequently reported *Ph. c. carbo* in the Barents Sea region and with *Ph. c. sinensis* in areas as far apart as Japan, Belarus and the Gulf of Finland. Interesting parallels between *Ph. c. sinensis* and the North American Double-crested Cormorant *Ph. auritus* show both the simultaneous developments in bird populations and human perceptions but also the different perspectives on cormorants on both sides of the Atlantic. Also included will be reports about less frequently described cormorant subspecies and species such as *Ph. c. lucidus*, the Pygmy Cormorant *Ph. pygmeus*, the Long-tailed Cormorant *Ph. africanus* and the Darter *Anhinga melanogaster rufa*.

The proceedings will be a supplement (ISBN: 3-89104-667-7) of volume 123 (2002) of the renown German journal "Die Vogelwelt" (Vogelwelt 123, Suppl.) and will be available directly through the publisher at the price of approx. 25.-- Euro. Payment by major credit cards will be possible. When ordering, please, make sure to give the following item code: 315-01034.

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IUCN Red list release

On October 8, the 2002 Red List is released. The release is be web-based and available since 8 October. Already much media interest has been shown and you can look for mention of the 2002 Red List on BBC online, New Scientist online, and in the Globe and Mail (in Canada). Below you will find the Press Release. This release and supporting information such as a background to the IUCN Red List and examples of species appearing on the Red List, will be posted in a special 2002 Launch kit via the SSC or IUCN website. The updated 2002 Red List will be uploaded onto www.redlist.org tomorrow.

Links to the 2002 Red List will be found via www.iucn.org or <http://www.iucn.org/themes/ssc/index.htm>

IUCN Species Survival Commission (SSC) E-Bulletin - September 2002

This monthly Bulletin, as a supplement to *SPECIES*, SSC's published newsletter, is to keep staff, members and the wider IUCN network up-to-date with news and announcements from the Commission. This issue and all previous issues are available on the SSC website at:

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