

# WILDLIFE IDENTIFICATION



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# Large Mammals



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Elk (bull)





Cow



Elk





Mule Deer  
(does)





Mule Deer (buck)





Buck



Doe

# White-tailed Deer





Black Cheek  
Patches  
(Buck)

Doe

Pronghorn





Ewe with lamb



Ram

# Desert Bighorn





Ram



Ewe

# Rocky Mountain Bighorn





Persian Ibex



Large Mammal



Black Bear





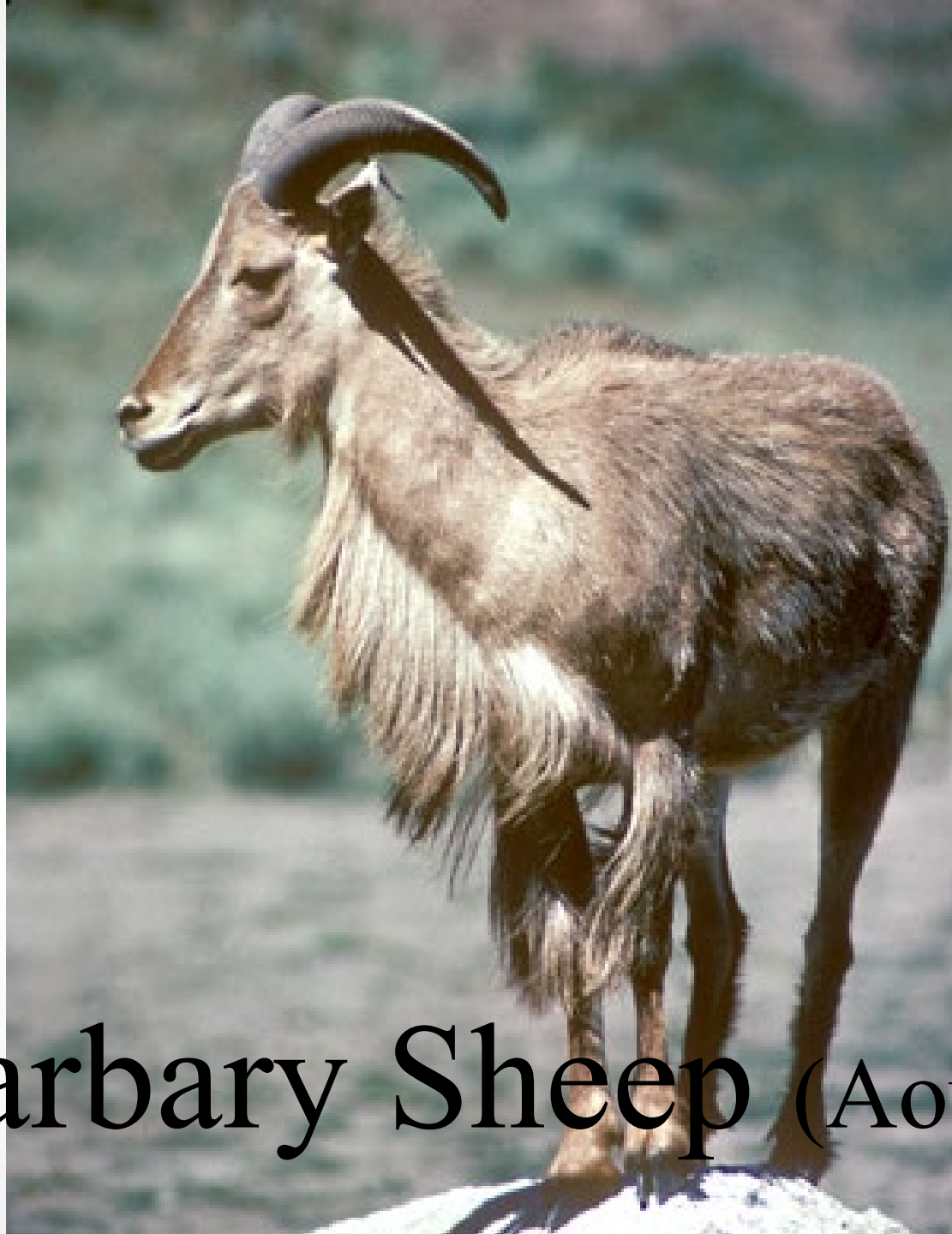
Mountain Lion (Cougar/Puma)





Bison (Buffalo)





Barbary Sheep (Aoudad)





Oryx (gemsbok)



# Small Mammals

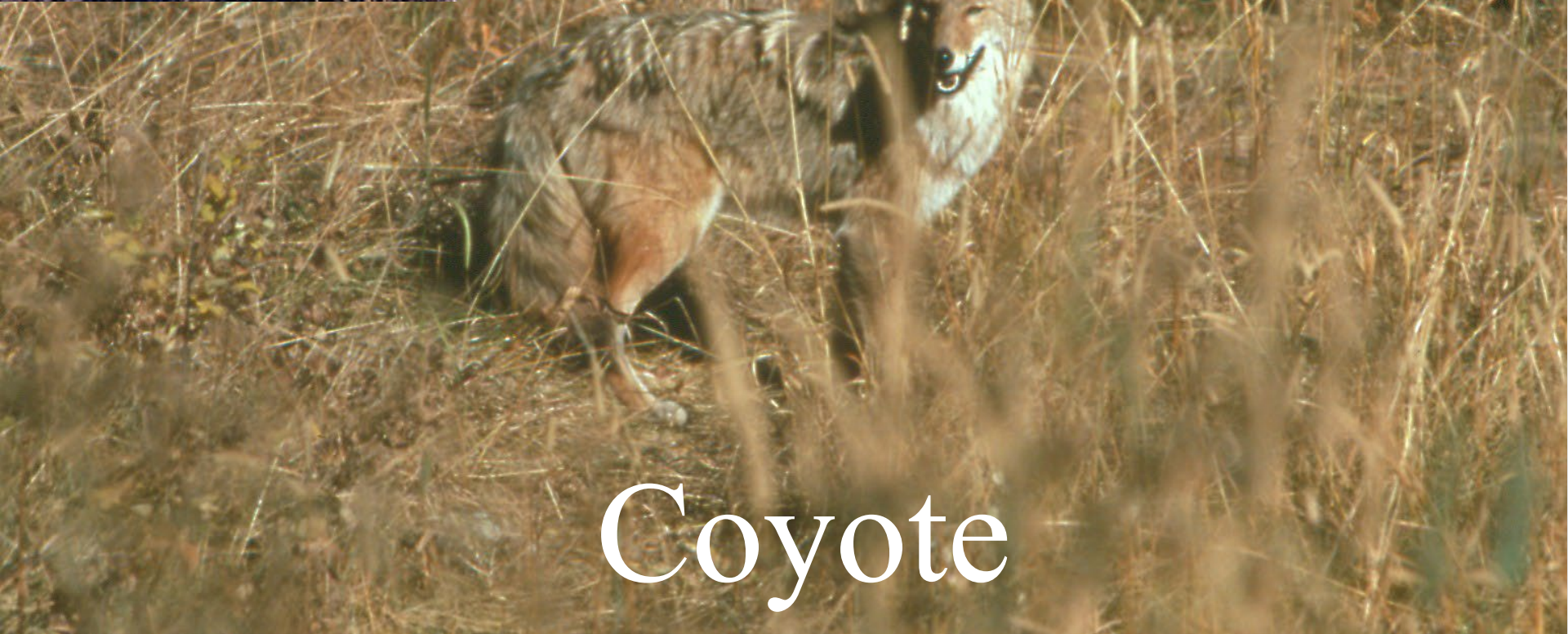


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Wolf



Coyote





Raccoon





Porcupine





Ringtail





Badger





Bobcat





Beaver





Jack Rabbit





Cottontail Rabbit





Abert's Squirrel (tassel-ear)





Gray Fox





Red Fox





Javelina (Collared Peccary)





Prairie Dog



# Upland Birds



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male



female



# Gambel's Quail



A photograph of a Scaled Quail (Blue Quail) standing on a rocky, mossy outcrop. The bird has a brown body with a dense pattern of white and grey scales on its neck and chest. It has a small, upright crest on its head and a dark eye. The background is a blurred forest with tall grasses and green foliage.

Scaled Quail (Blue Quail)





Ringneck Pheasant



A photograph of Merriam's turkeys in a grassy field. One turkey in the center is facing away from the camera, displaying its large, fanned tail feathers which have a distinctive black and white checkered pattern. To its left, another turkey is seen from the side, and to the right, a third turkey is partially visible. The background is a soft-focus field of tall grass under warm, golden light.

# Merriam's Turkey





# Dusky Grouse



A photograph of a Dusky Grouse (hen) standing in a field of green vegetation. The bird is dark-colored with a mottled pattern on its neck and head. It is facing left, and its body is partially obscured by the surrounding foliage. The background is a soft-focus field of tall grasses and shrubs.

Dusky Grouse (hen)





Prairie Chicken





# Prairie Chicken





Mourning Dove





White-winged dove





Eurasian-collared dove



A photograph of a Band-tailed Pigeon perched on a tree branch. The bird is dark-colored with a lighter, iridescent patch on its neck. It is facing right, and its tail feathers show a distinct light-colored band. The background is a dense, out-of-focus green forest.

Band-tailed Pigeon



# Waterfowl



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Mallard Duck





Pintail Duck



A photograph of three Green Wing Teal ducks in a shallow, marshy pond. The ducks are positioned in the middle ground, with one in the center foreground and two others slightly behind and to the left and right. They have dark plumage with a prominent reddish-brown patch on the head and a bright yellow patch on the wing. The water is calm, reflecting the ducks and the surrounding vegetation. The background is filled with out-of-focus, brownish-green reeds or grasses.

# Green Wing Teal





Woodduck





Redhead





Canvasback Duck



A photograph of three Ring-necked Ducks swimming in a body of water. The ducks have dark heads and necks with a prominent white ring around the neck. They are swimming in a line, with the lead duck on the left and two others following. The water is a deep blue with gentle ripples. The text "Ring-Necked Duck" is overlaid in a large, white, serif font at the bottom of the image.

# Ring-Necked Duck



A photograph of two Lesser Scaup swimming in a body of water. The duck in the foreground is a male, showing a dark head and neck with a prominent white patch on its wing. The duck in the background is a female, with a more uniform brownish-grey plumage. The water is a deep blue-grey color with gentle ripples. The text 'Lesser Scaup' is overlaid in a large, white, serif font at the bottom of the image.

# Lesser Scaup



A photograph of a Common Merganser swimming in water. The bird has a black head and neck, a bright red bill, and a white body with black wings. It is shown in profile, facing left. The water is dark blue with some ripples. The text "Common Merganser" is overlaid in white serif font at the bottom.

# Common Merganser



A photograph of a flock of Snow Geese in a field of dry, golden-brown grass. The geese are white with dark wingtips and long, straight red bills. One goose in the foreground is in sharp focus, facing right with its head turned slightly back. Other geese are scattered in the background, some looking down at the ground. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day.

# Snow Goose



A photograph of a flock of Snow Geese in flight. The geese are white with dark wings and are captured in various stages of flight against a background of dry, golden-brown grass. The text "Snow Geese" is overlaid in a large, white, serif font at the bottom of the image.

# Snow Geese





Canada Geese





Swan



# Wading Birds



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Great Blue Heron





Whooping Crane

Sandhill Cranes

Cranes



# Raptors



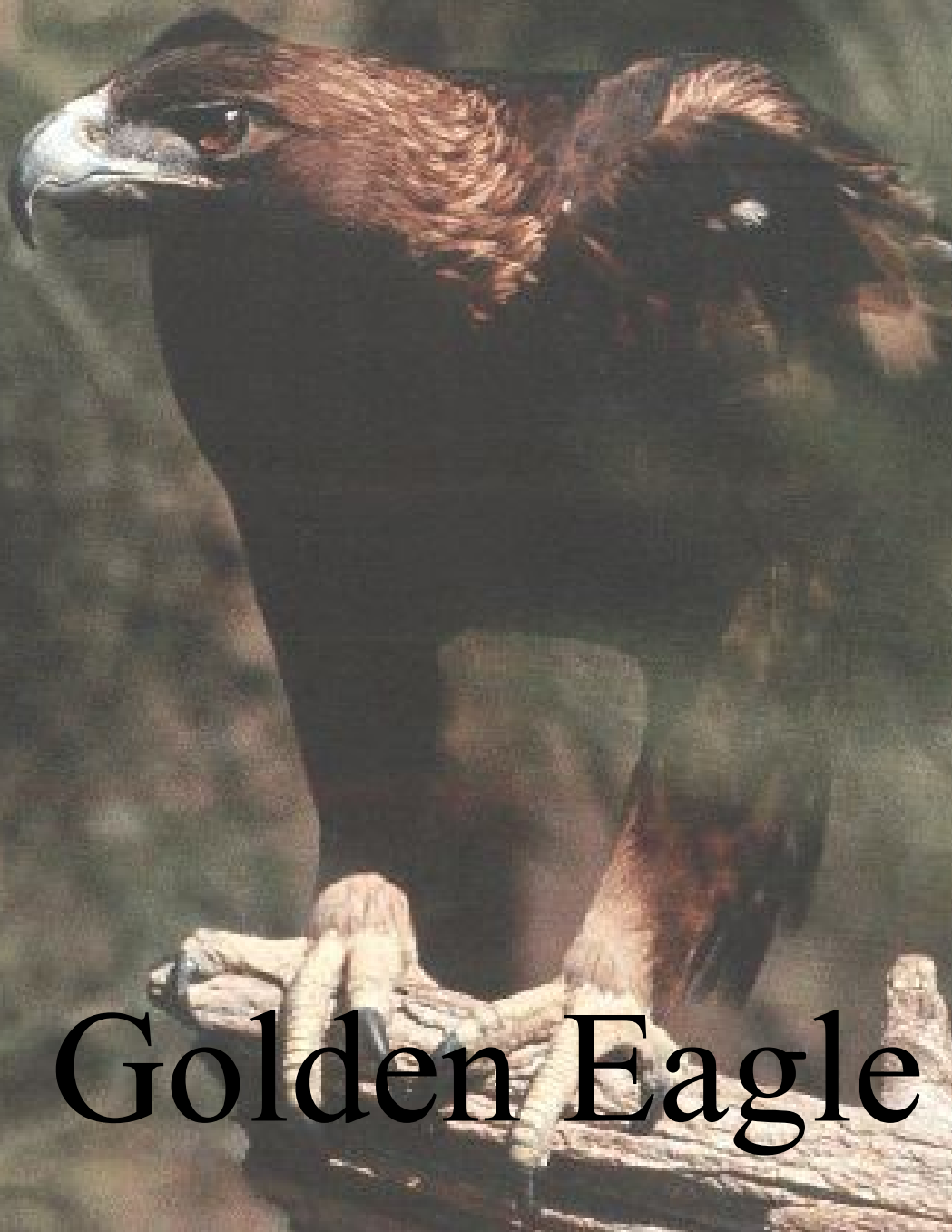
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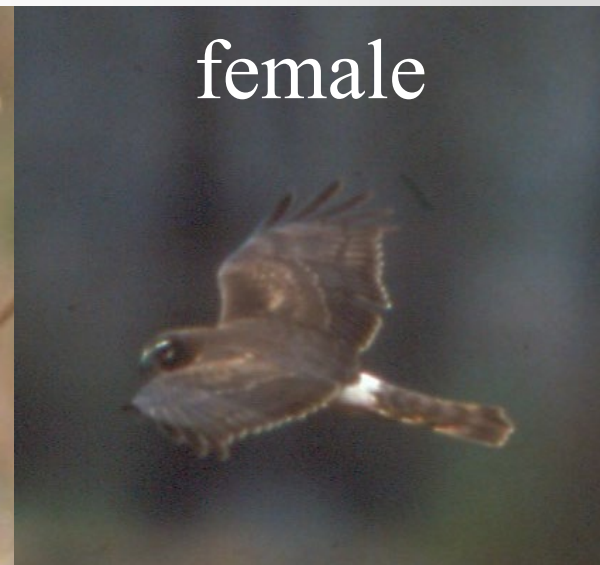
Bald Eagle





Golden Eagle





female

Marsh Hawk (male)





Red-tailed Hawk





Kestrel (male)  
(Sparrow Hawk)





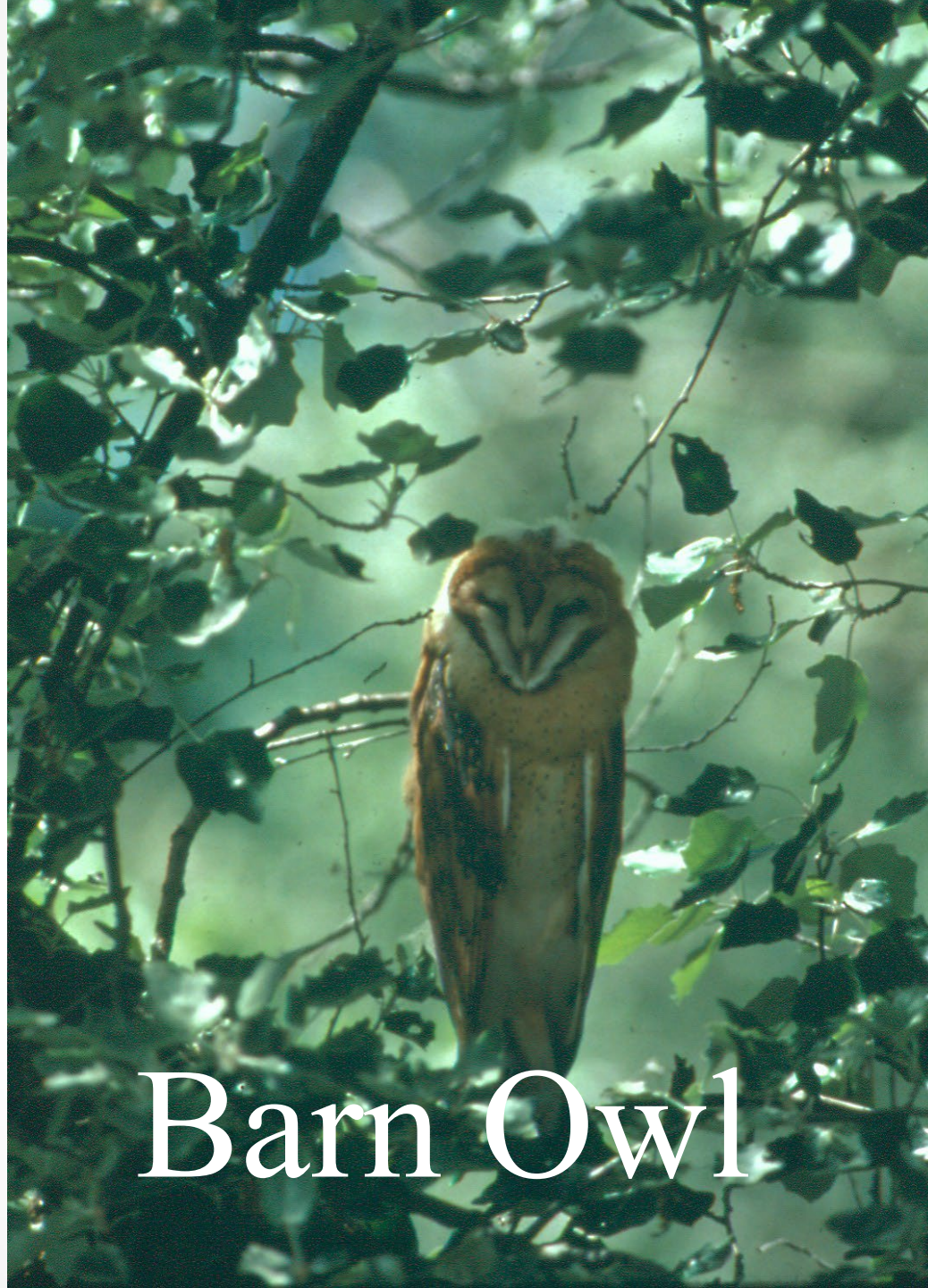
Great Horned Owl





Burrowing Owl





Barn Owl



# Reptiles & Amphibians



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Prairie Rattlesnake





Horned Lizard





Bull Frog





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