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# AMAZON: EXPLORE THE WORLD

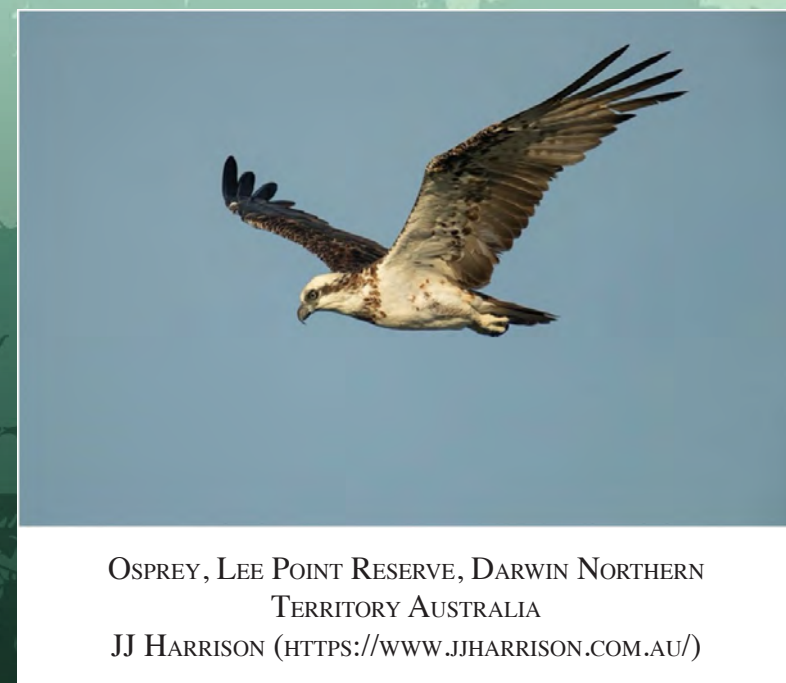


CHANNEL-BILLED TOUCAN (RAMPHASTOS VITELLINUS)

What is it about the Amazon Rainforest that continually intrigues us? The Bruce Museum's upcoming exhibition, "Amazon: Beauty, Destruction, Hope" from June 19 - October 10, 2021, seeks to explore the essence of what makes the Amazon a perennial source of fascination. The Amazon Rainforest is a special place; home to 1 out of every 10 known species on the planet, these verdant forests deserve and need our protection and understanding. Getting to know the plants and animals of the rainforest, and how the many indigenous peoples who live there have found ways to live in balance with their environment inspires us all to find balance with our own ecosystems.

## Explore Your World

Did you know that many of the birds that live in the Amazon Rainforest also live right here in New England? These winged wonders migrate north, spending their summers in our own backyards, and then when the chill of winter sets in they head south to warmer climates. Birds that wouldn't look out of place in either environment are: osprey, sand pipers, peregrine falcons and house wrens. You can find these animals in your own backyard or in and around the coastline of Long Island Sound. With a grownup's permission visit a local park, beach or even your own backyard and study the animals you see there.



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**You can get a free bird guide here** to help with your identifications. Bring a notebook, pen and pencil to make drawings and notes of what you see, and of course have a good time.

