

Although the book is obviously aimed at the European and North American market, birdringers in southern Africa will find much of general interest within its pages and many documented facts which may be novel to them and show up some favoured species in a new light. Altogether a worthwhile addition to the bookshelf at a reasonable price (U.K) by today's standards.

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- \* Instinctive Navigation of Birds. E.C. Gerrard. 1981.  
See review in Ostrich 53: 59-60.

Bub, Hans. 1983. ORNITHOLOGISCHE BERINGUNGSSTATIONEN IN EUROPA [BIRD OBSERVATORIES IN EUROPE] Pp. 190; 77 black-and-white photographs, 7 text figures. Dachverbandes Deutscher Avifaunisten Nr. 7, 1983. DM 20,--.

This soft-cover book gives details of 48 ringing stations or bird observatories in Europe ranging from Finland to Bulgaria and from Fair Isle to the Camarque. This is by no means a complete inventory as Editor, Dr. Hans Bub of the Insitut für Vogelforschung (Vogelwarte Helgoland), points out in the Introduction. Many active ringing stations in Great Britain and Germany have been omitted for reasons of space. Although the text is in German, each station report has a summary in English; and all photographs and text figures have captions in English as well as German. All references to birds in the text are by scientific name and the book is concluded with an alphabetical list of all scientific names with their German and English equivalents. This list includes family names and group names such as "*Limikolen* (= Charadriiformes) - Watvogel - Waders". Many of the photographs are of excellent quality and there are enough of them to provide the reader with a form of ornithological armchair travelogue. Those planning a holiday in Europe would find this publication extremely useful since the reports give details of accommodation for visitors, costs, booking arrangements and hints on how to find the place.

The book can be obtained from DDA-Schriftenversand, Rosenwinkel 7, D-3325 Lengede, Federal Republic of Germany. The price in DM is roughly equivalent to R9,00.

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