Ivory-billed Woodpecker Reference List
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This is not an all inclusive list. Many books about the Ivory-billed Woodpecker have been published since this list was originally created. This list was originally created to document the fervor surrounding the announcement of the find and the publication of the 2005 article by John W. Fitzpatrick and other Cornell Lab of Ornithology staff titled, Ivory-billed woodpecker (campephilus principalis) persists in continental North America, in the journal Science. As the librarian at the "Lab of O" during this exciting period I tried to capture the moment in the way I knew best. I hope this bibliography is helpful in your studies. Please feel free to contact me for research assistance (607)254-2165 or Adelson.lib@cornell.edu. The following quote is credited to John James Audubon. I'm not sure if it is a true quote as I can't remember where I originally found it but I think it's appropriate; "When in doubt believe the bird not the book."

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Report of Ivory-billed Woodpecker sightings.


ABC News, pp. 2.

The recording evidence is examined at the American Ornithologists Union in Santa Barbara.


Audio is evidence that there could be more than one ivory-billed woodpecker.

BBC News. 'Lost bird's' distinctive knocks. Retrieved 08/26/05, 2005, from

http://newsvote.bbc.co.uk.mpappa/pagetoools/print/news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/sci/tech/4184366.stm

New recordings of birds released.

Big Woods Conservation Partnership. "Found!" researchers find ivory-billed woodpecker nearly 60 years after last confirmed U.S. sighting.
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The search for the Ivory-billed Woodpecker.


Ways in which the USDA is financially supporting the recovery of the Ivory-billed Woodpecker habitat.


Recounts the discovery and the partnerships formed to save the bird.


CNN, A. P. Ivory-billed woodpecker not extinct, as feared: Scientists report sightings of bird in Arkansas, release videotape.

Retrieved 04/28, 2005, from


Cornell Lab of Ornithology's involvement in the 8 sightings between 2004 and 2005.
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Recounts Tim Gallagher's story of sighting the Ivory-billed Woodpecker.

Dalton, R. *Ivory-billed woodpecker raps on: Sound tapes convinced critics of the bird's survival.*

Retrieved 08/02/05, from


Discussion of sound evidence.

Dalton, R. *Ivory-billed woodpecker under scrutiny.* Retrieved 07/21/05, from


Experts led by Richard Prum question the rediscovery.


Exploits of tracking the Cuban Ivory-billed woodpecker.


States that the Ivory-billed Woodpecker "at the present time should be in final stages of becoming extinct in two parts of the world."


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Fact sheet: Ivory-billed woodpecker federal funding package
Funding allocations for money from the Department of Interior and the Department of Agriculture for conservation.

The ivory-billed woodpecker (Campephilus principalis), long suspected to be extinct, has been rediscovered in the Big Woods region of eastern Arkansas. Visual encounters during 2004 and 2005, and analysis of a video clip from April 2004, confirm the existence of at least one male. Acoustic signatures consistent with Campephilus display drums also have been heard from the region. Extensive efforts to find birds away from the primary encounter site remain unsuccessful, but potential habitat for a thinly distributed source population is vast (over 220,000 hectares).

Fitzpatrick, John W., et al. Ivory-billed woodpecker (Campephilus principalis) persists in continental North America. Scienceexpress, 4/28/05
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Review of the evidence by Prum, Robbins, and others.

http://www.nytimes.com2005/05/03/science/03bird.html


Brief overview of interviews with birders and ornithologists.

Richard Charif and John Fitzpatrick present sound data to American Ornithologists Union. These data are available on the CLO website.


Comments on the rediscovery and evidence by Sibley, Kaufman, and Dunne.
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Report of CLO presenting sound evidence at the American Ornithologists' Union.

Gorman, James, and Andrew C. Revkin. (2005, 8/2). Vindication for ivory-billed woodpecker

The controversy regarding the evidence is settled.

fans. [Electronic version]. The New York Times,

Discusses the controversy over the woodpecker's ID and the videotape proof.

Harrison, G. (2005). Back from extinction: Magnificent woodpecker reemerges in the woods of

Recounts the rediscovery.

from http://www.fws.gov/cacheriver/index.html

Press release presenting background information, protection laws, and birding
restrictions.

Hastie, Kyla, et al. (media contact). (2005). Partners established protocol to report sightings
of ivory-billed woodpecker. Ithaca, New York: Lab of Ornithology. from
http://www.birds.cornell.edu http://www.birds.cornell.edu/ivory/story17.htm

Website and email address is established for reporting Ivory-billed Woodpecker sightings.
Unified sightings form is available on-line.


A "Knock Knock" joke
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Survey of the birds of Arkansas.

News alert about recent sighting.

Life history of the Ivory-billed Woodpecker.

Smithsonian Books.
Describes the natural history of the Ivory-billed Woodpecker, its discovery in the 1700s, its decline, and the numerous searches to find the bird since.

Joyce, C. (2002). *Search for the ivory-billed woodpecker: Louisiana swamps hint of fabled bird from sound links*
Search by Cornell and others for the "fabled bird." Provides links to sound recordings, footage of the bird from 1935, an IBWO photo gallery, and other NPR stories on the IBWO.

Editorial on the return of the Ivory-billed Woodpecker.

Lab of Ornithology staff. (2006). *Rediscovering the ivory-billed woodpecker. [website]*.
The Lab of Ornithology website offering the latest news and research findings on the Ivory-billed Woodpecker. Also offers information on the Ivory-billed Woodpecker
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identification, life history, conservation, the search area, and Q & As. Provides the video, sound, and still images used in the research and allows people to report sightings.


Article on 2005 Arkansas ivory-billed woodpecker sighting.


Press release with an overview of the search efforts, the conservation partnerships formed, and other relevant websites.


Disagreement among ornithologists about the rediscovery.


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Editorial on the rediscovery and its symbolism.


The process Richard Prum went through analyzing the IBWO data.


Science Council Meeting notes from June 22, 2005. Discusses Connie Bruce's strategic plan for the IBW outreach and media and the impact of the IBW project on the rest of CLO.


Scientist analyze sound recordings at the American Ornithologists Union meeting.


Field guide description of Ivory-billed Woodpecker.


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Sibley, D. A. (2005, 06/26/05). Return of the king: In the Arkansas swamps, Tim Gallagher
tracks the majestic ivory billed woodpecker, until recently believed lost forever.

Discusses all aspects of the search for the ivory-bill, including the "human" side from
Gallagher.


Mentions Fitzpatrick and the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and gives a brief history of the
Ivory-billed Woodpecker.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Cache river national wildlife refuge [website]. Retrieved 04/28,
Describes refuge and gives links to press releases, articles, and Q&As about the Ivory-
billed Woodpecker.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. Once-thought extinct ivory-billed woodpecker rediscover in
029.html
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Saving the Last Great Places on Earth, 55(2), 22--31.

and pileated woodpeckers. Bird Watcher's Digest, 28(1) 36-43.

Focuses on the identification of Ivory-billed and Pileated Woodpeckers.