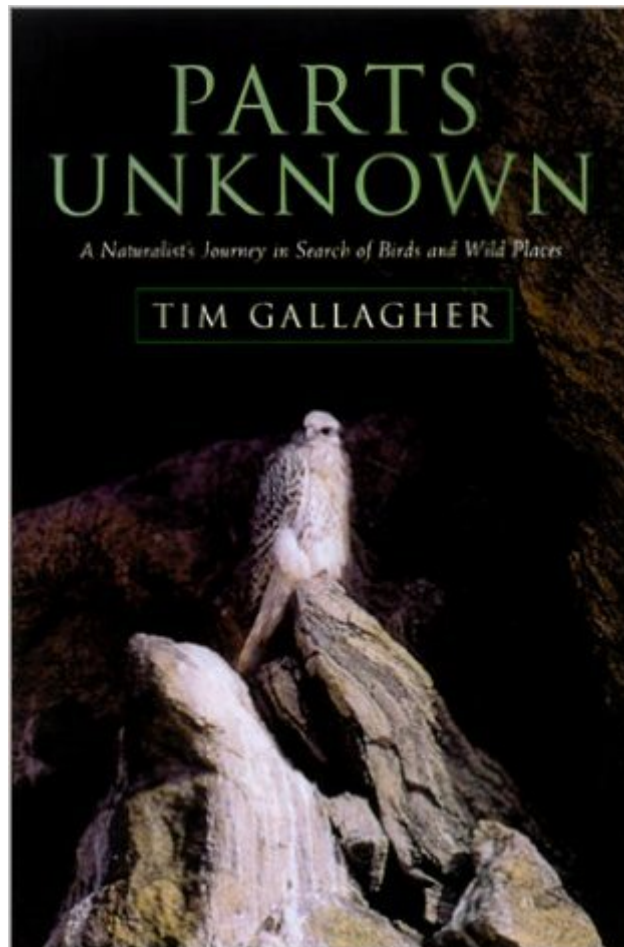


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# Parts Unknown: A Naturalist's Journey In Search Of Birds And Wild Places



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This book is a collection of essays written by Tim Gallagher, currently editor-in-chief of *Living Bird* magazine, published by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, as well as an avid nature photographer (several of his nice color photographs grace the book), birder, and wildlife aficionado. The articles were written from between the late 1970s into the year 2000, and apparently most if not all have been published before elsewhere (not saying I have read any of them mind you, but it is possible others who would be interested in this book have). The articles center around birds, though occasionally other animals are briefly discussed, and range from focusing on issues of research to conservation to some other topics such as law enforcement and research integrity. Many of the articles focus on birds of prey, particularly Peregrine Falcons and the epic fight to save them from near extinction due to DDT (a passion of his), but also Gyrfalcons, Prairie Falcons, Bald Eagles, the Ferruginous Hawk, and California Condors (also the subject of an intensive effort to save them from extinction, one that involved using the closely related Andean Condors among other things and seems to have paid off handsomely, with California Condors now back in the wild not only in California but in Arizona as well). Other birds are covered as well, sometimes in relation to being food to birds of prey, such as Dovekies, ptarmigans, and Red-necked Grebes.

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