



Galapagos Crusoes

A Year Alone with the Birds

BRYAN NELSON & JUNE NELSON

A new updated version of a wildlife classic – with the true story of the life behind it

A new, revised and updated edition of Bryan Nelson's 1968 book *Galapagos: Island of Birds* - together with contemporary commentary on what life was *really* like on the island from his wife, June

High-profile, far-reaching press, broadcast and social media campaign

"An extraordinary couple, a seminal study and the greatest of adventures" - Monty Halls, President, Galapagos Conservation Trust

"I would strongly advise anyone who has ideas about rushing off to live on a desert island to think three and preferably four times about it and then to consult June Nelson."

HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, from his foreword to the 1968 edition

A new, revision version of the celebrated *Galapagos: Islands of Birds*, by the renowned late ornithologist Bryan Nelson, with additional, previously unpublished reminiscences and lively and irreverent memories from his wife June. This timely new edition breathes new life into a classic work of natural history that will appeal to bird-lovers and anyone interested in life as a castaway on a desert island.

- A natural history classic, celebrated for its groundbreaking descriptions of Galapagos wildlife
- Includes accounts of two meetings with Prince Philip; **publication ties in with the anniversary of his death and the Queen's Jubilee**
- Film-maker George Pretty's wildlife film about Bryan, narrated by June Nelson has just won 'best in festival' at the International Wildlife Film Festival

Keen outdoor, conservation and do-it-yourself folk, **Bryan and June Nelson** met in 1954 and almost spent their 1961 honeymoon on the Bass Rock, where they studied gannets for 3 years. With a First in Zoology and a D.Phil. from Oxford, Bryan went on, with June, to study the behaviour and ecology of seabirds in the Galapagos, Peru, Christmas Island and New Zealand. With the help of Prince Philip they persuaded Australia to help save the rare Abbott's booby. Bryan died in 2015..



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