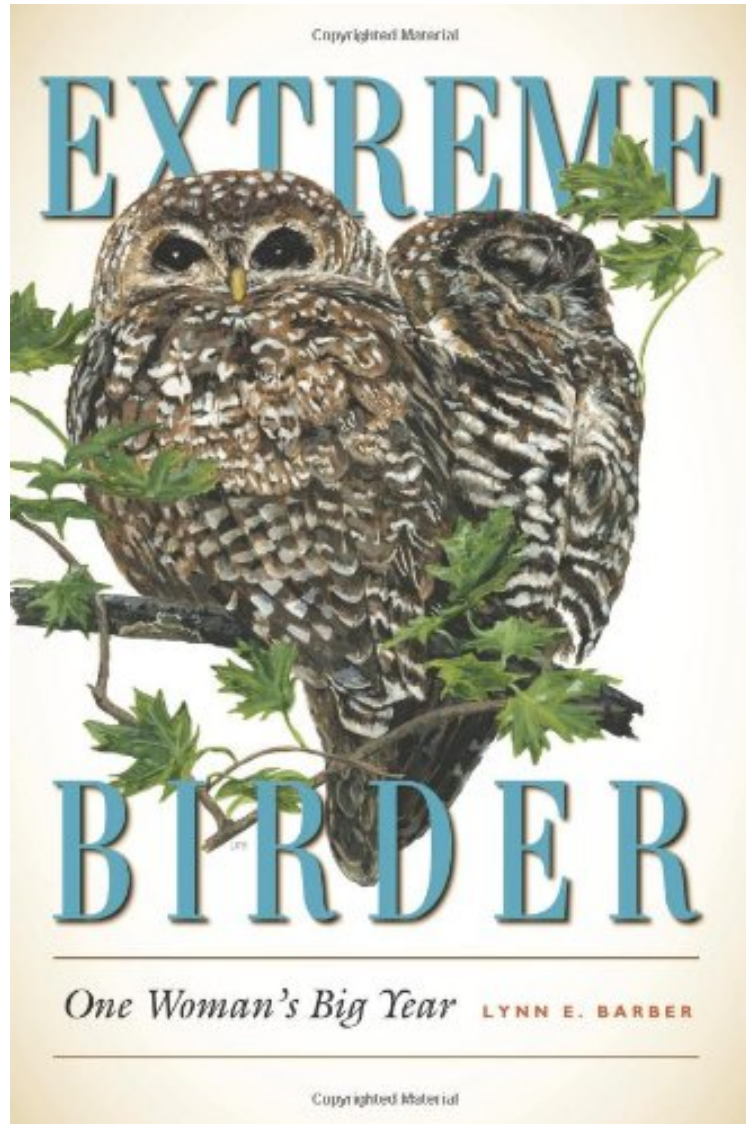


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#1406946 in Books Texas AM University Press 2011-03-17 Original language: English PDF # 1 9.32 x .86 x 6.34l, 1.66 #File Name: 1603442618288 pages Over 272 days, Barber observed 723 species of birds in North America north of Mexico, recording a remarkable 333 new species in January but, with the dwindling returns typical to Big Year birding, only eight in December, a month that found her crisscrossing the continent from Texas to Newfoundland, from Washington to Ontario. In the months between, she felt every extreme of climate, well-being, and emotion. | File size: 61.Mb

**Lynn E. Barber : Extreme Birder: One Woman's Big Year** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Extreme Birder: One Woman's Big Year:

13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Good - but not extremely

By MikeExtreme Birder offers two interesting features that are unusual for big year birding accounts: numerous real time photographs and short poems. Nearly every other page has a photograph taken by the author. Many of them are magnificent, but I appreciate the imperfect shots of rare and secretive species. These photos allow the reader to share her actual views of the birds. They contribute to a visually appealing book. The rhymes were apparently composed during Barber's down time, such as on her many flights. They add a touch of charm and emotion to the text. Those features notwithstanding, I found the writing to be dull. The text is presented in journal style, and flows much like a blog. Many of the entries begin with a slight variation of "It was a good day today", another way of saying "I saw the bird I was looking for". To her credit, Barber did not embellish her adventures, but I think she could have done more to compose a more lively narrative. Actually, for a book entitled Extreme Birder, there isn't much in the text that we haven't read before. Barber operated like most other big year birders, used the typical guide books and rare bird alerts to plan trips, and stopped at the typical birding hotspots. She seemed more like a typical birder than an extreme birder. However, her big year bird list was truly impressive, exceeding lists by all other birders going before her, except one (Sandy Komito). From this perspective, she was extreme indeed. If you are like me and can't resist reading accounts of birding big years, you will probably want to buy this book. But in my opinion, Kingbird Highway (Kenn Kaufman) and The Big Year (Mark Obmascik) clearly remain as the standard in big year writing.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This is a great book!

By Colleen J. TillettI love reading this book. You are with her as she is in the rain, when it's cold, while she misses the snowstorm, when she's tired, and when that bird bam, is right there! Right with you! I thoroughly enjoyed this book.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This is an extremely interesting account of a Big Year ...

By douglas rubyThis is an extremely interesting account of a Big Year with details on a monthly basis of where to go and what was seen there.

One woman . . . one year . . . 723 species of birds. . .

"Lynn Barber challenges a traditionally male-dominated pursuit--the birding big year--and is successful beyond her wildest dreams. She is an inspiration for all who love adventure, nature, and birds."--Lynn Hassler, author, *Birds of the American Southwest*