







# 12 Most Attractive Dove Species on the Planet

Our planet is awash with fascinating animal species, each of which plays a vital role in the ecosystem and makes the world a beautiful place for us to live in. But among all the species, pigeons and doves are perhaps the prettiest. Take a look at the world's most dazzlingly beautiful color pigeons and doves.

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There are more than 300 species of pigeons and doves, and many are among the most beautiful and colorful birds in the world. All are in the bird family Columbidae and share a range of traits, including a round body shape, delicate bill, and generally granivorous or frugivorous diets. Doves and pigeons can be found in many habitats, and their spectacular colors, intricate markings, and unique features help them blend into outstanding settings. Scroll through this gallery to learn more about the world's most beautiful pigeons and doves, including where you can visit to add these beauties to your life list. Sydney-based photographer Leila Jeffreys captures the vibrant beauty of birds like colorful pigeons, doves, and cockatoos in her newest series—entitled *Ornithurae*. Jeffreys specializes in capturing the unique personalities of each feathery friend through a series of up-close studio portraits, with a goal to “portray birds in a way that display[s] their incredible beauty and diversity, and to inspire a deeper concern for their well-being.”

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