## It's Pretty Amazingaa

For many years, people were in the dark about how other animals see. Thankfully, recentscientific research has revealed an amazing world of animal vision diversity. For example, adragonfly's brain works so fast that it sees movements in slow motion, snakes pick up infraredheat signals from warm objects, thus detecting their prey, whereas horses and zebras have eyespointed sideways, enabling them to have peripheral vision and escape danger when necessary. Inaddition to this, insects use compound eyes that are made of thousands of tiny lenses that looklike a honeycomb pattern. Therefore, it comes as no surprise that animals are diverse in theirvision and eye function, but one species in the animal kingdom stands out the most – birds.



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Birds are bizarre creatures when you really look into them. For example, did you know that penguins can only recognize salty and sour tastes? Or that Palila birds, native to Hawaii, feed on the seeds of the m?mane plant, which contain a level of toxins that would easily kill any othersmall animal? Or that pigeons are thought to have a superior vision at color detection compared to any animal on Earthand are often used in search and rescue missions? Various avians have different superpowers and different ways of working their sensations, but one thing is true for mostbirds – their superior (in comparison to humans) vision.

