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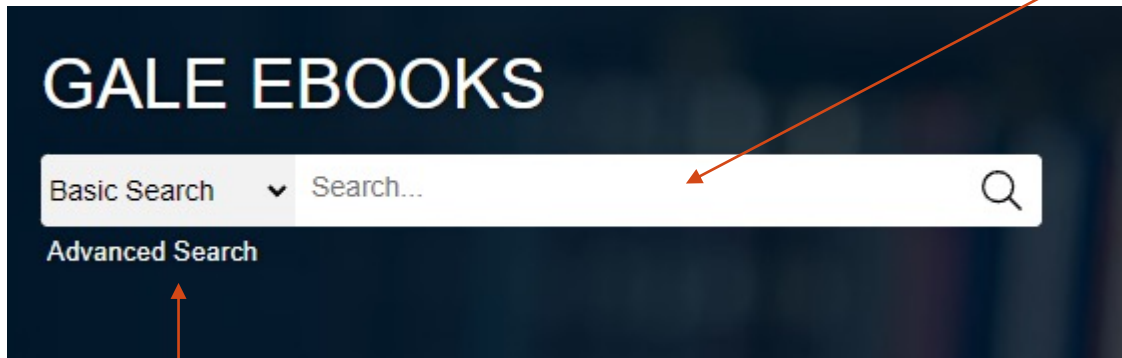
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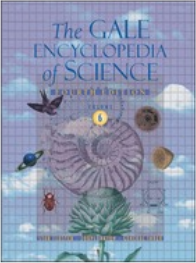
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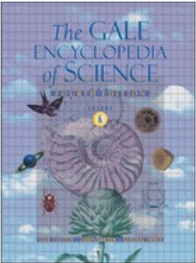


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**Author:** Jean F. Blasfield  
**From:** *The Gale Encyclopedia of Science* (Vol. 3. 4<sup>th</sup> ed.)

2008 5 pages Topic overview

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### Mynah Birds

**Editors:** K. Lee Lerner and Brenda Wilmoth Lerner  
**From:** *The Gale Encyclopedia of Science* (Vol. 4. 4<sup>th</sup> ed.)

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Mynah or myna birds are species in the family Sturnidae, which also includes many species of starlings. The distinction between starlings and mynahs is not always clear, and these common names are sometimes used...

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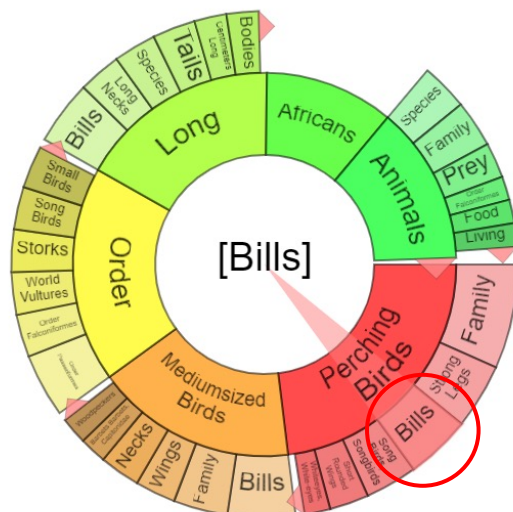
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[Perching birds]

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Pittas are medium-sized birds with a large head, short neck, strong bill, often hooked at the tip, round body, short rounded wings, short tail, longish legs, and strong large feet. They are some of the world's most...  
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Hedge Sparrows: Prunellidae

These birds also known as acrobats are small and sparrowlike in appearance but not related to sparrows The bill of a hedge sparrow is slender and more pointed than the sparrow They range in size from 5 to 7...

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Treecreepers: Certhiidae

Treecreepers are small mostly brown birds that have long slightly curved Bills long slender tails with twelve stiff pointed feathers a narrow teardropshaped body and short legs with long toes and highly curved...

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White-Eyes: Zosteropidae

The whiteeyes are small perching birds that look very similar across the species. They have slightly rounded wings, short pointed bills, a brush-tipped tongue that has four sides and is bordered with hairs both at the...

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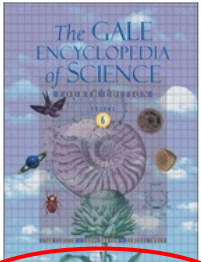
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