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# **Museums, Scientific Collections, and Libraries**

The following listing enumerates the major collections (study skins, skeletons, 'alcoholics' and egg sets) in Canada. Many of these institutions allow use of their collections by visitors. The nonprofessional can usually make arrangements for access to a good bird skin collection for purposes of study and identification. Prospective visitors should write the person overseeing the collection well ahead of time, giving alternative dates for the proposed visit, and stating as specifically as possible which part of the collection they wish to study. They should also remember that during the summer months, some sections of some of these museums may be closed. For this reason, it is doubly important to write as far ahead as possible if you plan to visit.

The following institutions also enjoy well-developed and large collections of avian publications. The combined knowl-

edge of the highly specialized field of ornithology is within easy reach of both the amateur and professional scholar in Canada. Access to the libraries of the following listed institutions should provide countless opportunities for those interested in avian evolution, systematics, biogeography, behavior, ecology, physiology, ethology, and allied subjects. The working libraries of these institutions also contain most, if not all, of the standard ornithological references on North American birds with special reference to birds of Canada, complete sets or extensive runs of all of the major journals published in North America and a selection of general ornithological reference works or books on avian specialized subjects. If you wish to gain access to these libraries, again, be sure to write to the Ornithology Department(s) of these institutions well in advance of your projected visit.



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 Department of Ornithology  
 100 Queen's Park Crescent  
 Toronto, Ontario M5S 2C6

This museum has more than 150,000 study skins, skeletons, 'alcoholics', and egg sets. This collection has worldwide representation.

National Museum of Natural Sciences  
 National Museum of Natural History  
 National Museums of Canada  
 Department of Ornithology  
 Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0M8

This museum has more than 110,000 study skins, skeletons, 'alcoholics', and egg sets. This collection has mainly Canadian breeding ground representation.

British Columbia Provincial Museum  
 Vertebrate Zoology Section  
 Victoria, British Columbia V8V 1X4

This collection contains 15,000-25,000 study skins, skeletons, 'alcoholics', and egg sets. These are primarily of Canadian origin.

Provincial Museum of Alberta  
 Department of Ornithology  
 12845 — 102nd Avenue  
 Edmonton, Alberta T5N 0M6

This collection contains 15,000-25,000 study skins, skeletons, 'alcoholics', and egg sets. These are primarily of Canadian origin.

Cowan Vertebrate Museum  
 Department of Zoology  
 University of British Columbia  
 Vancouver, British Columbia V6T 1W5

This collection contains 15,000-25,000 study skins, skeletons, 'alcoholics', and egg sets. These are primarily of Canadian origin.

Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History  
 Ornithology Department  
 Life Sciences Division  
 Wascana Park  
 Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3V7

This collection contains 5000-10,000 specimens, which are primarily of study skins of Canadian origin.

University of Western Ontario  
 Department of Zoology  
 London, Ontario N6A 5B7

This collection contains 5000-10,000 specimens, which are primarily of study skins of Canadian origin.



There are also other numerous collections spread the length and breadth of Canada. Most of these contain fewer than 5000 specimens and/or mounts and nearly all of these are of Canadian origin. A listing of these collections can be obtained by writing to the Ornithology Department of the Royal Ontario Museum (address above).

We should like to refer the AMERICAN BIRDS reader to the *Birders' Bookshelf* in this issue (page 181), to Glen E. Woolfenden's review of *World Inventory of Avian Anatomical Specimens: Geographical Analysis*, for further discussion of specimen collections.

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