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barren winters and abundant summers, from the Chilkats council of eagles in Southeast Alaska to Prudhoe Bays dump-dwelling ravens in the Arctic, birds earn a special place in our imaginations with their enchanting songs, fascinating antics, rich plumage, and mastery of the compelling phenomenon of flight. Exploring Alaskas Birds presents a colorful survey of the realm of birds in the forty-ninth state. An examination of avian evolution reveals their roots in toothy dinosaur ancestors. A scientists study of migration pathways probes the mysteries of the miraculous navigation system that guides them across continents and oceans. Exploring Alaskas Birds explains how species get their names, provides insight into bird talk, describes their adaptations to ferocious Alaska winters and considers the range of Alaska bird research from backyard feeder observers to the unique facilities of Middleton Island. Avid birders pursuing the 200th species on their life list or backyard naturalists merely curious about the feathered denizens of the Great Land, and all those who've ever asked, "What bird is that?" will appreciate Exploring Alaskas Birds authoritative presentation of useful information illustrated with a wealth of world-class photography. About the Author Science and history writer Richard P. Emanuel has contributed to a number of ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC issues. He lives with his family in Anchorage, where they watch birds from their Hillside home. Scientist and economist George Matz is the author of several articles on ecology and on the economic value of the environment. In addition, he wrote World Heritage Wilderness, Vol. 26, No. 2, of ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC. For the past several years he has been president of the Anchorage chapter of the National Audubon Society. Rodney Griffiths is a freelance nature photographer who lives in Oxford, England and travels the globe in search of compelling images of birds and other animals. In addition to being published in previous issues of ALASKA GEOGRAPHIC, his work has also appeared in "Birdwatch", "Birdwatching", "Freelance Photographer", and others. The Discovery Channels program "Wild About Animals" has featured Griffiths bald eagle photos. Elizabeth Manning writes for the Anchorage Daily News, covering wildlife and conservation. In summer of 2000, she traveled to Middleton Island. Colleen Handel is a biologist with the Alaska Biological Science Center of the U.S. Geological Survey in Anchorage. She has researched landbirds and shorebirds for 25 years in Alaska, and since 1998, has studied the phenomenon of deformed beaks in chickadee populations here.