

Birds of North America
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Summary Information

Repository	American Philosophical Society
Creator	Swainson, William, 1789-1855
Title	Birds of North America
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Call number	Mss.598.S1b
Extent	2.0 Volume(s) 2 volumes, 633 p.
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Location	LH-MV-E-16
Language	English
Container	1-2
Abstract	Detailed notes from Alexander Wilson's "American ornithology," including item numbers from Peale's museum. Also two loose pages in vol. 1 attributed to John Abbot; Case for 2 volumes says "George Ord -- Birds of North America. Original manuscript."

Background note

Swainson, a notable naturalist, was also a skilled botanical draughtsman and a competent water color artist.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

American Philosophical Society

Provenance

Acquisition Information

William Reese, purchase, \$1,500.00.

Indexing Terms

Genre(s)

- Notebooks
- Scientific Data

Subject(s)

- Natural History
- Science and Technology

Other Descriptive Information

These two volumes contain William Swainson's notes on birds. Each entry on a bird contains a detailed description of the bird and, when appropriate, a reference to the bird's location in Peale's Museum or its description in Alexander Wilson's American Ornithology.