



**A BIRDER'S WEST INDIES. AN ISLAND-BY-ISLAND TOUR**

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6 x 9 cm., 256 pp., 19 color and 20 black and white photographs, 2 maps, 1 table. 1996. ISBN 0-292-79098-8 \$40.00 hardcover. ISBN 0-292-79101-1 \$19.95, paperback. Available from the University of Texas Press, P. O. Box 7819, Austin, Texas 78713-7819 USA; telephone: 512-471-7233.

Ro Wauer, a charter member of the SCO, has produced a new book on his birding adventures in the West Indies. The book contains 18 chapters describing Ro's visits to islands from Cuba to Grenada. His extensive introduction contains an island-by-island listing of all 161 endemic birds. Also included are a foreword by Brad Northrup (The Nature Conservancy), an afterword by Paul Butler (RARE), and an extensive reference section. The narrative includes numerous comments on environmental threats and suggestions on ecotourism.

A review by Ms. Catherine Levy is forthcoming in *El Pitirre*.



**CONTRIBUTIONS TO WEST INDIAN HERPETOLOGY: A TRIBUTE TO ALBERT SCHWARTZ**, edited by Robert Powell and Robert W. Henderson. 1996. Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles. New York: Ithaca. Contributions to Herpetology vol. 12. 457 pp. ISBN: 0-916984-37-0. \$60.00. Available from Dr. Robert D. Aldridge, Publication Secretary, The Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles, Department of Biology, St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri 63103, USA; telephone: 314-977-3910; fax: 314-977-3658; e-mail: ssar@sluvcu.slu.edu.

This massive volume is dedicated to the memory of Albert Schwartz (1923-1992) and includes 33 papers presented at a 1994 symposium held in his honor. Abstracts of an additional 9 papers are also included. In total, 59 scientists contributed to the volume. The book contains sections on Evolution, Systematics, and Biogeography; Ecology and Behavior; and Conservation; as well as a history of West Indian herpetology and an annotated checklist of West Indian reptiles and amphibians. Al Schwartz is best known for his contributions to our knowledge of West Indian reptiles, amphibians, and butterflies, but he also made substantial contributions to the region's ornithology. SCO members who were influenced by Al will find the three "Remembrances of Albert Schwartz" (by William E. Duellman, Richard Thomas, and Robert W. Henderson) of particular interest.

