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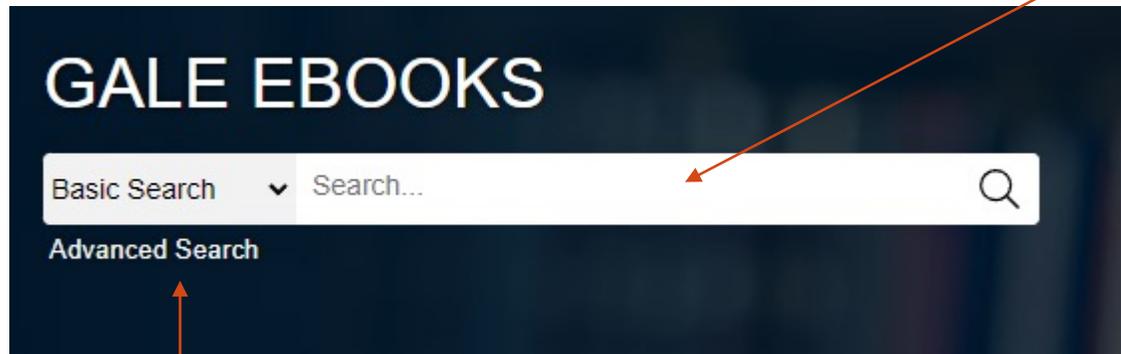
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**Author:** Jean F. Blasfield  
**From:** The Gale Encyclopedia of Science (Vol. 3. 4<sup>th</sup> ed.)

2008 5 pages [Topic overview](#)

Ratites are flightless birds that lack the keel (high ridge) on the breastbone to which the flight muscles of flying birds are attached. Instead, the entire breastbone looks rather like a turtle's shell. It has also been...

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### Mynah Birds

**Editors:** K. Lee Lerner and Brenda Wilmoth Lerner  
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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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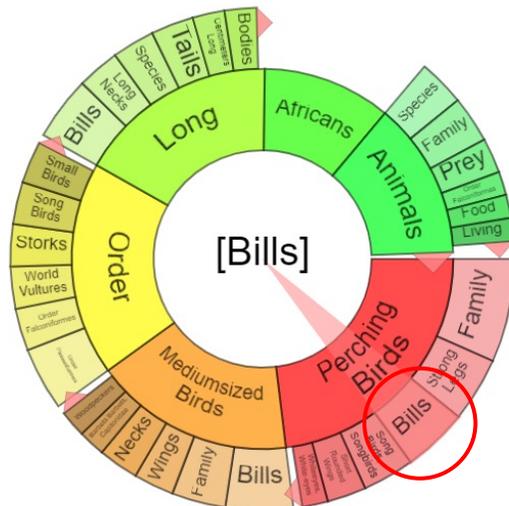
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Broadbills are small to mediumsized stockily built birds with large eyes a broad bill from which they get the name that is rounded along its sides flattened from front to back hooked at the end and with a wide...  
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#### Pittas: Pittidae

Pittas are mediumsized 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 worlds most...  
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#### Hedge Sparrows: Prunellidae

These birds also known as accentors 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 brushtipped tongue that has four sides and is bordered with hairs both at the...  
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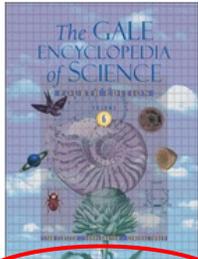
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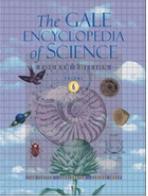
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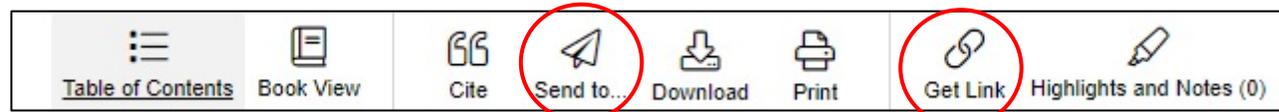
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