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Review

“*Carnivore Minds* is a pure delight and a magnificent achievement. Think of it as Darwin’s *The Expression of the Emotions in Man and Animals* for the twenty-first century. Every page reveals a new idea for looking deeply into animal souls.”—Jeffrey Moussaieff Masson, author of *Beasts: What Animals Can Teach Us About the Origins of Good and Evil*

“This may be the most exciting, most informative, and most surprising book ever written about animals. It results from a new approach to animal studies, and the findings are overwhelming.”—Elizabeth Marshall Thomas, author of *The Hidden Life of Dogs*

“The Western world has long kept non-humans in conceptual boxes, distanced from the rest of the living world. Gay Bradshaw does the opposite. By removing artificial dividers, she shows the overlapping abilities and experiences among species and illuminates new perspectives for us to consider.”—Carl Safina, author of *Beyond Words: What Animals Think and Feel*

“Bradshaw continues to carve out an immensely important and innovative field that combines animal behavior and psychology, with deep inter-mind—and soul—sensibilities. Beautifully written. This book is a catalyst for societal change.”—Peter H. Kahn, Jr., University of Washington

“With panache and care, Gay Bradshaw tackles myths about carnivores. She moves the reader to greater understanding and empathy—critical tasks if we are going to increase humanity’s concern for carnivore thriving.”—Darcia Narvaez, University of Notre Dame

“Gripping...Gay Bradshaw informs, educates, challenges, and exposes biases about carnivores. We need to stop excluding these animals from the ambit of human ethical concern.”—John Gluck, author of *Voracious Science and Vulnerable Animals: A Primate Scientist’s Ethical Journey*

“The book forces us to regard other species—those dangerous, frightening, predatory ones that occasionally kill us—in a new light.”—Luke Hunter, Panthera

“Bradshaw goes beyond current trends, uniting two seemingly unrelated fields of science into one: neuropsychology and carnivore biology. She makes a remarkably original contribution by taking the reader into psychological sessions with an interesting cast of charismatic carnivores.”—William J. Ripple, Oregon State University

“[A] fascinating blend of well-informed anecdote, neuroscience, ecology, and gleanings from the scientific literature.”—*Booklist*

“The latest and most persuasive in a small croop of 21st-century nature books whose aim is to remove simple villians from the animal kingdom . . . Here’s hoping this and all such books aren’t too late.”—*Open Letters Monthly*

“A powerful argument.”—*Natural History*

“Well-researched . . . Readers will find descriptions of coming eye-to-eye with white sharks and up-close-and-personal encounters with grizzly bears and other large carnivores particularly compelling.”—*Choice*

About the Author

G. A. Bradshaw is founder and director of The Kerulos Center and the Tortoise and the Hare Sanctuary. Her groundbreaking discovery of post-traumatic stress disorder in free-living elephants launched the field of trans-species psychology.

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