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READING LIST

Course Title: Animal History
Location: Ewert House, Oxford
Term Dates: 06 Nov 2025 to 04 Dec 2025
Tutor: Rosemary Cresswell

The reading list below was supplied by the course tutor.

If you have enrolled on a course starting in the autumn, you can become a borrowing member of the Rewley House library from 1st September. If you are enrolled on a course starting in other terms, you can become a borrowing member once the previous term has ended. For example, students starting in January can join the Library in early December and those starting in April can join in early March.

If you are planning to purchase any books, please keep in mind that courses with insufficient students enrolled will be cancelled. The Department accepts no responsibility for books bought in anticipation of a course running.

Preparatory Reading List

The items on this list are to give you some background to the materials and ideas that we will be covering on the course.

Author	Title
Guerrini, Anita	<i>Experimenting with Humans and Animals: From Aristotle to CRISPR</i>
Ritvo, Harriet	<i>The Animal Estate: The English and Other Creatures in Victorian England</i>

Course Reading List

The items on this list are to support your learning while you are taking the course.

Author	Title
Baratay, Eric, and Hardouin-Fugier, Elizabeth	<i>Zoo: A History of Zoological Gardens in the West</i>
Bowler, Peter	'What Darwin Disturbed: The Biology That Might Have Been' (<i>Isis</i> 99(3): 560-567.)

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Darnton, Robert	<i>'Workers Revolt: The Great Cat Massacre of the Rue Saint-Severin' (In 'The Great Cat Massacre and other episodes in French Cultural History)</i>
Endersby, Jim	<i>The Guinea Pig's History of Biology: The Plants and Animals Who Taught Us the Facts of Life</i>
Gooding, Frances	<i>Of Dodos and Dutchmen: Reflections on the Nature of History (Critical Quarterly 47(4) (2005): 32-47)</i>
Guerrini, Anita	<i>Experimenting with Humans and Animals: From Aristotle to CRISPR</i>
Haraway, Donna	<i>Primate Visions: Gender, Race and Nature in the World of Modern Science</i>
Haraway, Donna	<i>The Companion Species Manifesto</i>
Harrison, Brian	<i>Animals and the State in Nineteenth-Century England (The English Historical Review, 88 (1973): 786-820)</i>
Kean, Hilda	<i>Animal Rights: Political and Social Change in Britain since 1800</i>
Manias, Chris	<i>The Age of Mammals: Nature, Development, & Paleontology in the Long Nineteenth Century</i>
Ritvo, Harriet	<i>The Animal Estate: The English and Other Creatures in Victorian England</i>
Rothfels, Nigel	<i>Savages and Beasts: The Birth of the Modern Zoo</i>
Sadiya Qureshi	<i>Vanished: An Unnatural History of Extinction (Not yet published - advertised as June 2025)</i>
Serpell, James	<i>In the Company of Animals: A study of human-animal relationships</i>
Thackray, John C. and Press, J.R.	<i>Nature's treasurehouse: a history of the Natural History Museum</i>
Velton, Hannah	<i>Beastly London: A History of Animals in the City</i>