Record Nr. UNINA9910337693003321 Autore Tokarski Mateusz **Titolo** Hermeneutics of Human-Animal Relations in the Wake of Rewilding: The Ethical Guide to Ecological Discomforts / / by Mateusz Tokarski Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2019 **ISBN** 3-030-18971-6 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (232 pages) Collana The International Library of Environmental, Agricultural and Food Ethics, , 1570-3010;; 30 Disciplina 304.27 231.7 **Ethics** Soggetti Environmental sciences—Philosophy **Environmental Philosophy** Humanities and Social Sciences, multidisciplinary Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di contenuto Chapter 1. Introduction: the Return of Wildlife -- Chapter 2. Ecological Discomforts in Environmental Thought -- Chapter 3. Interests, Costs, Benefits, and the Social Complexity of Discomforts -- Chapter 4. Wildness and the Preconditions for Meaningfulness of Nature --Chapter 5. Discomforting Encounters with Nature as Moral Experiences -- Chapter 6. Individual Sacrifices and the Flourishing of Ecosystems --Chapter 7. Towards a Wilder Community -- Chapter 8. Practicing Coexistence -- Chapter 9. Summary and General Conclusions. In consequence of significant social, political, economic, and Sommario/riassunto demographic changes several wildlife species are currently growing in numbers and recolonizing Europe. While this is rightly hailed as a success of the environmental movement, the return of wildlife brings its own issues. As the animals arrive in the places we inhabit, we are learning anew that life with wild nature is not easy, especially when the accumulated cultural knowledge and experience pertaining to such coexistence have been all but lost. This book provides a hermeneutic study of the ways we come to understand the troubling impacts of

wildlife by exploring and critically discussing the meanings of

'ecological discomforts'. Thus, it begins the work of rebuilding the culture of coexistence. The cases presented in this book range from crocodile attacks to mice infestations, and their analysis consequently builds up an ethics that sees wildlife as active participants in the shaping of human moral and existential reality. This book is of interest not only to environmental philosophers, who will find here an original contribution to the established ethical discussions, but also to wildlife managers, and even to those members of the public who themselves struggle to make sense of encounters with their new wild neighbors.