Record Nr. UNINA9910459187103321 Autore Mason Paul Titolo The golden oriole / / Paul Mason & Jake Allsop Pubbl/distr/stampa London:,:T&AD Poyser,, 2009 **ISBN** 1-4725-9692-7 1-282-72367-7 9786612723674 1-4081-3298-2 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (289 p.) Collana Poyser monographs 598.8 Disciplina **Birds** Soggetti Golden oriole Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Acknowledgements -- Introduction -- 1. The Golden Oriole and the genus Oriolus -- 2. The story of Lakenheath and The Golden Oriole Group -- 3. Habitat in Britain, Europe and North Africa -- 4. Habitat in other parts of the breeding range -- 5. The special case of Kazakhstan -- 6. Climate and weather -- 7. Courtship and nest-building -- 8. Egg-laying and incubation -- 9. Nestlings and fledglings -- 10. Diet --11. Interspecific relationships -- 12. Song and calls -- 13. Population: past, present and future -- 14. Migration -- 15. Wintering -- 16. Orioles in captivity. Sommario/riassunto "One of Britain's rarest breeding birds, the Golden Oriole is also one of its most charismatic. Females are a vivid green, while the males of this species are a stunning yellow and black, with an extraordinary and unforgettable song. A long-distance migrant, the orioles return to breed in early May at just a few sites, almost all of which are in Suffolk. Jake Allsop and Paul Mason's The Golden Oriole looks in detail at the biology of this spectacular species, with sections on breeding biology,

feeding ecology, evolution, population dynamics, mimicry, migration and conservation, as well as a discussion of the biology of other species in the genus. A colour section showcases this photogenic

species to full effect, complemented by high-quality black-and-white illustrations throughout. The fascinating history of the bird's distribution is also covered extensively, stemming from the authors' first-hand experience of the battle to help the species retain a toehold in Britain. The Golden Oriole is a much-admired bird, sought by serious and casual birders alike for the beauty of its plumage and song, as well as for its rarity. By bringing the biology of this elusive species to light, this book will prove a popular addition to the Poyser list."--Bloomsbury Publishing.