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Sommario/riassunto	Before Darwin, before Humboldt, before Gilbert White, there was Merian. An artist turned naturalist, Maria Sibylla Merian sailed from Europe to the New World on an expedition to study metamorphosis. It was an unheard-of journey for any naturalist at that time, much less a woman. When she returned she produced a book that secured her reputation but her accomplishments were later dismissed and forgotten when scientists feared that they would be discredited if they built on the work of 'amateurs.' Beautifully written and illustrated, 'Chrysalis' restores Merian to her rightful place amongst the naturalists.

