1. Record Nr. UNINA9910792748703321 Autore Bradshaw G. A. Titolo Carnivore Minds: Who These Fearsome Animals Really Are // G. A. Bradshaw Pubbl/distr/stampa New Haven, CT:,: Yale University Press,, [2017] ©2017 **ISBN** 0-300-22759-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (362 pages): illustrations Disciplina 591.5/3 Soggetti Carnivorous animals Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Giving Voice to Animals. A Naturalist's Note -- Foreword -- Preface -- Introduction. A Tension of Opposites -- 1. White Sharks: Personalities -- 2. Grizzly Bears: How Brains and Minds Develop -- 3. Orcas: Sense of Self and Moral Evolution -- 4. Crocodiles: Emotional Intelligence -- 5 Rattlesnakes: Sensibilities and Social Life -- 6. Pumas: Psychological Trauma -- 7. Coyotes: The Predator Complex -- Epilogue. Pax Carnivora -- Notes --Acknowledgments -- Index Sommario/riassunto Myth and media typically cast animals we consider predators or carnivores as unthinking killers-dangerous, unpredictable, and devoid of emotion. But is this portrait valid? By exploring their inner lives, this pioneering book refutes the many misperceptions that hide the true nature of these animals. We discover that great white sharks express tender maternal feelings, rattlesnakes make friends, orcas abide by an ancient moral code, and much more. Using the combined lenses of natural history, neuroscience, and psychology, G. A. Bradshaw describes how predators share the rainbow of emotions that humans experience, including psychological trauma. Renowned for leading research on post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in elephants and other species, Bradshaw decries the irrational thinking behind wildlife policies that equate killing carnivores with "conservation." In its place,

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