“We do not have to use verbal language. We communicate in silence. We need not talk about love, harmony and peace. We live in them.”

~Pitu
"The Noble Wilds" Readers Comments

Peter Weidhaas, President of the Conference of International Book Fairs and Director of the Frankfurt Book Fair from 1975-2000: Personally, I think that we don't just live alone on the Earth, but that all creatures, even the plants, are our brothers and sisters that we have to accept. The Earth is our mother, our basis; we come from her and we must return to her again. And that's why we need a lot of reverence for life and for Earth, and these kinds of books help. The book has a nice emotional element, in the illustrations. I wish for the book to find a wide audience and many happy readers.

So Yeon Park, chairperson of CARE, largest animal protection group in Korea: This book tells us how these little animals have emotions toward each other, and even have names. We think only humans can have names, but this book says animals can also have names as well and communicate with one another. I'm mostly happy and grateful to the author for that point.

Ms. Iva Belichka, Editor-in-Chief of "Zoritsa" newspaper in Montreal, Canada: The first book I read to my daughter Yana, who is 11 years old and she was very delighted by the photos themselves, because she likes drawing very much, and also by the words which are written there.

I do not know the time span in which Master Ching Hai managed to do all this because it is a very great wealth indeed - such photos, such pictures, I really do not know who could make it so professionally, on one hand, and on the other hand - it truly reveals profound things from nature which we have not thought of, we do not think of them.

She is a gifted person and we need to receive more information through her, so I have this idea to you to share this information with children from a young age.

Son Ji-Young, Librarian, Pogu Library, Seoul, Korea: I'm a librarian and I've read countless books, but with this book, from the first page to the last, I could really feel the author put an incredible degree of effort and affection into creating this book. Seeing the pictures and reading the stories, I felt that they are so beautiful and artistic.

Also the contents of the book have informed me of the nobleness of the wilds and of the incredible secrets never known before.

Kim Young-Kyu, Korean regional military administration: I read "The Noble Wilds" not long ago. I was greatly happy to hear that the book became #1 bestseller at Amazon.com recently, and I sincerely send any congratulations for this achievement as the top bestseller. Before reading this book, I thought that humans are the lords of all creation and reign over all animals, but through the book, I realized that the animal world also has a realm of sensitivity, which is even more noble than that of humans. So, I came to think a lot that we should not rule over animals from now on. I wholeheartedly thank Master Ching Hai, the author of this book, and I hope it can be translated into Korean quickly so that this book can be read by many people.

Jenny Tamas, Director of Grey Haven Exotic Bird Sanctuary, Vancouver, Canada: I think it is absolutely fantastic. It is a very calming book. The pictures are wonderful. It gives you a warm feeling when you look through this book. And you know that each and every one of these, these little God's creatures are so very delicate and we have to go with respect, when we are visiting them, and this book has been wonderful and it shows you that.

Director Xu, East Regions, Department of European Affairs: Her book describes clearly that it's in a very pure, natural, genuine and pristine environment that She interacted with the wild animals. Together with this experience, there's a sentence in her book. It is her quote here. She mentioned that in the animal kingdom. Just like as size doesn't matter and virtues count like everywhere else. Even I personally have the same feeling and conclusion. That is, for every living being. If you use your love to live together and interact together, it will give back to you and make you feel that it is exactly the same like us, a living individual. To love those so-called other living beings is actually to love ourselves.

Iranian book publisher: It's a very nice book, it's well done; the design is perfect and if you read the sentences, they are talking to you. As a publisher I think it's a good example to learn from, especially the design and how they have prepared the book.

Reader in Israel: The pictures create a direct contact with God, maybe even the Supreme Master. It's pure enjoyment to flip through and see. It's like a type of meditation. Look at these amazing pictures. There is nothing like nature, you can't duplicate it. Doesn't it really make you want to connect the second you see this?

Korean reader: Upon opening the book, I felt the author's warm and meticulous love toward living creatures, and it touched me a lot.
Reader in Israel: They are professional photographs because it looks like a lot of work to follow the animals, until you find the right time and the correct perspective. When you read the book, you see the Master really communicates with the animals. She understands and brings to light things that people don’t know about animals. It’s something really amazing! I don’t think anyone could have really done it, to really connect with the animals and to listen to what they have to say, to really connect with the animals in a way which we humans communicate with each other. Basically, I think it helps us connect ourselves to nature and also see the unity and direction of God, life in general, from the smaller of beings to human beings and to other animals beyond these.

Po-Ya Chou, Councillor of Taipei City Council: "The Noble Wilds" shows us that humanity and all other beings can be co-inhabitants in harmony on this planet. What impresses me the most is Master has always been devoted in vegetarianism. In the past, my perception on the vegetarian diet was basically for the health reasons. But now I have more understanding: a vegetarian diet is very important and closely related to our environment. We also deeply feel we need to go vegetarian in order to be peaceful with all beings on the Earth. It avoids killing livestock and animals, which is a way to promote peace, not to harm each other, a kind of peaceful culture for co-inhabitation. I admire her very much and would like to follow her example to practice the idea. We all can feel the love and care Master has for all beings.

Korean reader: In the book, there is a story about a swan couple, Pitu and Sai Sai, and I felt the way they love each other and raise their children is exactly like that of humans. It's so touching when Pitu plucks all her feathers and lays them on the floor in order to warm their nest, and she even takes care of the babies at the cost of her food and sleep until they become grown-up. I was really touched by the silent communication between a human and animals and also touched to realize that animals also lead a noble life. This book is truly a road map full of love.

Mr. Bernard Bordeanave, Photographer: I think these kinds of pictures are very much speaking for themselves already, so it shows one thing very necessary, very useful to tell people and to show people how it is very important to take care of nature because people living especially in the city, even people living in the countryside, are not always conscious about the problem of the nature and the animals and everything. So, I think this book is very, very useful.

Kathleen Hogan, reader from Ireland: "The Noble Wilds" book by spiritual leader Master Ching Hai is so naturally and elegantly designed that it feels like the scenery, the lakes, the trees, the swans, the ducks are truly alive and real. This book reminds us that all life is precious, so we should do the utmost to protect and preserve all living beings, small and large, tame and untamed because they are each unique and of God’s creation.

Melissa Catalin, reader from Ireland: This book makes me think a lot about my life; sometimes we only look for material things and we don’t see around us that we have all these beautiful things, trees, animals and that we are so rich that we don’t need to look for any more.
The Noble Wilds

The Supreme Master Ching Hai
Foreword

In the animal kingdom, size doesn’t matter and virtues count like everywhere else.

Thus, I have discovered for example that the tiny squirrels have individual names but the ducks don’t.

That may be due to the fact that squirrels have higher NQ (Noble Quality) than the ducks.

I have also discovered that if a race of animal possesses an NQ of 9% or higher, it will be entitled by nature to have an individual name! (The human is more privileged.)

Here are some for general reference:

Cows = 40%  Some birds = 30%
Elephants = 30%  Coots = 10%
Pigs = 30%  Beavers = 10%
Deer = 20%  Swans = 20%
Dogs = 30%  Geese = 20%
Eagles = 8%  Orangutans = 20%
Squirrels = 10%  Tigers = 4%
Ducks = 8%  Lions = 3%
Humans:
High = 90% (small number)
Low = 3% (lots)
Average = 10% (lots)
I’ve also learnt that animal parents don’t give names to their offspring, but it will be transmitted to them in time by the council of their species. For example, swans will “pick up” their names before maturity, around two years of age; the same with geese, and in the case of beaver or squirrel, around one year.

Some animals of the same species have more NQ on average than others. For example:

Pitu = 30%, Female Swan
Gina = 25%, Female Swan

Only among humans, the NQ varies greatly because we are more equipped to develop compassion; also we are more exposed to different situations, which require our love and help for other fellow humans and other beings.

Yes! I was also surprised by the finding! There are so many marvels even in this physical universe. One really must take time to discover.

And another thing: Female animals in general have 1 or 2% higher NQ than their male counterpart, and in the human world it’s the same. I guess motherhood does help to develop more unconditional love, and the more one exercises “NQ,” the more extra one will have.

It is a privilege for me to be revealed this information. I did not seek to know. It just came by itself as the bond of friendship deepened between the wilds and I. Once I knew some of them, other species’ data became also available. Once we know even as little as what I know, we will never look at the animals the same way as we did before.

I am very happy to share a little knowledge about some of our co-inhabitants in this book. Some of those whom, as language barriers prevent us to understand each other, have been mistreated, misused or forgotten.

If I were to write much more of what has been transmitted from them, it will take many books; besides, it only concerns myself and others I need to be in contact with as part of my “job’s” necessity. So I do not include herein.

Anyway, I was thrilled to know much about our animal friends; hope you too will be.

May all beings be loved and blessed - with Peace & Happiness.

P.S. I love all the photos in this book, leaving some for your own comments. Please enjoy them as much as the story here. They are real actions and sceneries. Some of the photos are rare moments. Some took many hours or days to capture, and for some I had to wade into deep water or thick forest to film... (Video & photos)
Appreciation

This book is about the wilds, but I also feel like a “wild” myself. Though is not about me, but you see my photo sometimes. I think you like it, no? Thanks to several assistants who caught my image for you:

Thomas Lerning  T. Hao
T. June  Steve Andreas
Jus-se  T. Khai

For the rest of the pictures and sceneries, you’ll have to bear it without the old woman. But I am always there with you, behind the camera.

There are more residents and tourists who are not in the book: The big fishes, frogs, tortoises, rabbits, owls, pigeons, different birds, crickets, snails, deer, etc... But I thank them all for their love and support, so that this book can reach you.

I can take photos and write forever; maybe I will, because they all are fascinating. For example: As I camp near by, the frogs chorused all night, singing, responding back and forth till dawn, sometimes longer. It’s like a perfectly orchestrated musical performance, free and nonstop; who gives them such magnificent voice and robust energy? And in such a size so tiny!

On the other hand, maybe I let you polish your imagination a little or go click the camera yourself.

I love writing this special book.

I love all beings in this book and all others.

I love all the sceneries that I photographed.

I love the feeling that you will read and enjoy.
The Village of Love
Amoura
Surrounded by ancient town and old forest, Amoura is around 220,000 m² with a population of 5/6 human (the scale tipped depends on “Tourism”), 10 dogs, some pet birds and teeming wild life.
It has a lake, half the size of the village. And most of the wild here depend on it for survival. The swans, the geese, ducks, coots, squirrels, beavers, rabbits, tortoises, rats, frogs and of course fishes, are those who take up residence around or in the lake.
The deer and others like herons, owls, seagulls are non-residents, but come often and are always welcomed.

Others like squirrels, rabbits, birds of all kinds, and even a pair of young pigs prefer the woods surrounding the village. This village again is surrounded by an abundance of woods, extending miles all around, a favorite place for horse riding.
Most of the weekends, you can see riders and their horses stamping the ground with their footprints. And visitors also come here to take a fresh breath of air and bathe in nature’s kindness.
The village is also belted with a long, deep and wide canal on one side and the beautiful river on the other. The scenery here is perfect. It’s only befitting that beautiful and noble beings reside in this restful abode.
When Autumn begins its visit in Amoura

We are going to meet them here, one group at a time.

Have fun!
After a long winter (winter is always long!) Spring is suddenly here. Buddings seem to appear overnight. Surprise.

The lake also seems greener; the reflection of a tree-lined shore dyes its water emerald fresh and cool like a soothing dream, but one we can touch and feel with real mortal senses.
Some species of animals have individual names;
Some don’t.

Flowers and bushes promise a new natural harvest very soon to come. The birds do not frequent the feeder from the lady any more.

They have more abundance from Lady Nature and lots of exciting activities, tasting new berries, meeting friends and mates…
It seems this way to the “blue” heron, too.

Looking for love?
And to this single blue one! Life seems lonely also.

Bees are also busy visiting the sudden array of blossoms, all colors, all nectars. Amoura awakes after reluctant hibernation, wide-eyed, full of expectation.
Life in the village is anything but lonely. Four times a day, one can see an army of dogs rushing out from the main village residence, running around, barking at anything that moves (or not moves, depends on mood).

And one can hear a chorus of birds from inside their play pen, echoing the dogs. It can be quite deafening; lucky the place is big and the woods absorb somewhat the noise!
This lady is one of the residents in Amoura. She’s quite busy exploring the surroundings and doing “Great” works such as feeding the Ducks and Co. She seems serious about the job and loves doing it...

Question: Can a one-member group be called a team?
Answer: Yes! She & her boat.
The Ducks
Simple and Friendly Ones
... And most of the time she is “invisible” to outsiders, except if one happens to be a duck or a swan etc... Then one can expect a regular visit from her.

... She often frequents lovely corners of Amoura such as Duck District, Swan Town, Frog Colony, Coot Settlement, etc...

She owns a “restaurant” at the far end of the village where customers flock in queue for the delicious menu. It opens for lunch and dinner, and anytime in between!

Meet the “Duck of Reedington.”

... And the Duchess of Lilidale.
Lonely who?
Together we are cool.

Duck’s Resort in Amoura.
And we have neighbors.

Guess who?

Yeah!
A goose
The soft ground is also our house.

Simple life is ours.
This is another “lonesome” blue heron (Yes! Oh maybe he is blue.)

He (or she?) often rests on this exclusive spot reserved for bachelor herons – No one saw any other that landed there, ever.

Well, she (or he?) enjoys being in the sunshine nook. The sun rays stay there till late in the evening.

Very elusive – for a bachelor, you should be more sociable to chance a partner, methinks!

Like these two, for example, one can take as many close-ups as one likes. They come knocking at the main residence for food – sometimes 3-4 times a day.

They eat from your hands almost.
The male is very attentive and protective of his mate. If she’s eating, he always stands guard – and if she runs to drink water, he’d run after her. Don’t worry, he eats sometimes – (witnessed).
Ducky’s hang-out “Pub”
When she’s resting next to the food after eating, or sleeping near-by, he’d come grab a few quick bites!

There’s another guy chasing after her, and she’s not keen on befriending that other one, so they are both very vigilant. Especially he, always on guard to protect his beloved.

So touching to observe such gentlemanism.

“Ah! This is much better! Even if you just sleep by my side, we're together.”
As these pages unfold before your eyes, autumn is already making its way through the village, weaving a golden blanket to keep the earth warm for coming winter.

- Foliage saying good-bye -

Flowers are donning their mature colors.

Something is going,
Something is coming.
The last flowers from summer still trying to array their glory, ignoring the call of time!
   Even humans do the same here.
   All sojourn contentedly
   As if life in the physical...
   ... Is eternity.

Message from the sunset:
It is nice even to part
So there is joy of reunion.
Something is withering,
Something is growing.
Surprise!
Autumn bloomer.

The tranquil lake
Offers only solace,
A silent charm.
Always beautiful
Always calm.
Within this calmness
Life thrives in abundance
The trees will be full and lush
The littles will grow strong.

Something is blooming...
Something is thriving...
“This way my loves:
The bridge is way a-tall
To ‘restaurant’ we’ll go.”
“In God’s Grace you will grow.”
She has become a big mama
Protective and responsible
Takes care of her young at all cost
Finding food and shelter
Who is her teacher?!

She knows when to advance
When to run to the bush.
She knows when the golf cart comes
The lady will bring food.
So she’d gather all her children
Near the shore as usual
Eyes sparkling
Tail wagging!
But Mommy duck also taught little ones to be self-reliant – hence they nib on green mosses that grow around the shores or at shallow bottom lake sides. Seeing them happily munching water weeds on dock poles or reeds, the lady was so moved: Oh, how undemanding the life they choose!
She doesn’t take a morsel
All saved for her youngsters!
Guarding while they feed
Lest may be danger!

Oh! The love of a mother.
What else can one say!
Only the heart feels sympathy
And the eyes feel moist!
Watchful Guard
And so, day by day,
The siblings grow big and bigger.
Same devotion and love
From mother.

It is safer behind tall reeds
Near the shore.
Any little threat
Mother hurries them here.
Still, the brave mom
Teaches them to swim across
When the time has come
To learn about courage.

For her young
She fears no one!
To witness such love
One’s heart has to be of stone
Not to melt.

Sometimes the lady
Feels overwhelmed with love
For these wild creatures
She just wished she could
Them in her bosom to gather
To hug and to caress them
To show them the love in her.
Do you feel the strength of love,
Do you see the awesome courage
The true beauty in this mother’s eyes?
Some eat on land
Some do on water
Food tastes the same
Still all enjoy
From the “provider.”

A guardian angel
in the form of this humble mom
Don’t worry my dears
You can well take rest
Ma is always here
Watching over my precious.

- Tired?
  - No..o!

Really growing... fast!
Sharing with the gull.
It's OK, too!
Living together

Guess who’s here for dinner
Peaceful solution!

Yes! There is work also
At the village’s “office”
A real proud mother
A hero.
Wrestling with Nature
Against all odds
Against all dangers

“I am always here
For you.”

Single-handedly
Raising her babies!
Now we have others
Joining the party.
The Canadian geese!

We go, wherever...
It’s the same water.
How come this guy
Still... so lonely?

Told you!
(Should be more sociable)
 Seriously!
Squirrels

Planters of the Field

Do squirrels have names?
Yes, for sure.
Surprised?
Me too!

This is a young female named Sy (See).
She is so flamboyant and lovely.
This auburn squirrel is a regular customer of “Chez elle.”
He has grown too comfy and confident
That he even ventured into the house
If couldn’t find food outside
His name is Fy (Fi).

Has an NQ of 10%!
Big Goodness
For such a tiny princess.
Or curls up under his portable blanket
And sleeps right there
In front of the kitchen
After filling himself with bread.
(It’s on the house!)

Sy is a young and beautiful red-head. When the first slice of bread was offered on the grass, she took it up close, turned it around and around to examine it attentively, so cute.

Then she tilted her head, looking again and again as if she has never seen this sort of nut before.

“What kind! So big, so square, so soft, yet so fragrant.
Appetizing like Heaven!”

... For the drink,
He must go to the lake,
Few yards away (poor thing!)
This is another one, male
More mature, more “deep” in color and knowledge.

He is Zy (Zee).

This guy knows what’s nut and what’s not
No thing surprises him.
Done that.
Been there.
He explains to the younger ones
About life, how, why, what and where.
Quite a good elder!
Humans are my friends
And friend means FOOD
A Hem...
Just check it out!

Anyway I am free.

The planters of Amoura
Many nut trees are from them.

Your house is my house
(No doubt!)

Come and go
As I please!
(I see!)
“We have something in common
We both like the bread from this home.

He loves nuts so much.
He looks like a nut!
Hut... Hut...

She eats fast
Like the way she runs.
Now you see it.
Now it’s gone!
Have a break
Stroll around the lake
Or visit the flowers...

Or talk to the bamboos
Amoura loves you!

The proof of good cooking
The Horse

Good Neighbor

And preventer of the unfavorables.

The neighbor-horse does too.
(It helps if there’s bread or apple!)
This is Fou
Affectionately called Foo-Foo princess
(By the lady)
Such a love
And beauty!

She originally came from neighboring lakes, but somehow decided to stay in Amoura for a while.
In winter, she does not move out.
She must have felt OK here.
For she makes regular “appear.”
This is another female geese
Her name is Sey-Sey.

At meal time, if the lady calls her name and she is near by
She would fly over to Amoura Lake,
quacking all the way,
To let the lady know: “Here is Sey-Sey.”
She was all alone and young.
Maybe looking for a handsome,
The one that reflects her own,
Virtuous and gallant.

"I feel kinda lonely
Just I myself and me!"
This a male new-comer  
Not so beloved by Sai Sai  
He chases him whenever near by.  
   He is called Konay  
   A nice guy.

He often comes to the lady's house  
For some food and a little love.  
Sometime being chased by Sai Sai  
(He chases anyone when he feels like  
Just his sport to pass the time  
Not hurting though.)

There were two actually:  
A young goose  
And a past middle-age lady!  
They understand each other  
perfectly.

"It's not easy  
Being dark  
And different!  
Is it the same  
In the world of humans?"
She needs someone to share this
Beautiful “home” with.
Meanwhile, to be alone in quietude
Is also a blessing.
Though at times
It can feel lonesome!

Well... Not any more!
Foo-Foo "introduced" Yeou, her beau, to the lady,
Who welcomed him heartily,
(the lady calls him Prince Yeou-Yeou)
He is so gorgeous and polite.
Whenever Foo takes a bath in the lake
He stands guard near by
On the small island or on the lake
At which their home they made.
And most of the time
He also stands guard while she eats
Especially if they are on land
At the lady’s back yard park
He would stand erect, vigilant
On all sides, till she finished.
Then he might eat
If the situation is
Calm and favorable
No intruder, no threat
Or if food is still available,
Of course the lady makes sure
  To give ample portion for him
Then Foo-Foo would take turn now to guard.
While he eats, they don’t “talk,”
  Just perfect telepathy.

They often come to the lady’s house
Heads high and proud
Expecting a meal and love
  They always get it!
Since the arrival of the little ones,
Foo-Foo has to constantly be on watch
Hardly has time to eat and rest.
She became thinner but never
Let down her guard over
Her precious babies.
Both of them actually:
Yeou-Yeou also was doing
His noble part of a parent
Searching for food.
And protecting the young.

Teaching them to forage
Teaching them all the “hows.”
There’re dangers in the wild
So, they always stay close.
Group with each other
Staying out of trouble…
– One never knows! –
Sometimes the father goes ahead
To check the path’s OKness
For the safety of his family
He would lay down his life readily...

... Once a bigger “bully”
Swooped down upon them
The father did his best
To scare away the “baddy”
Though much smaller in size
He stood tall and tough
Stretching out his wings
In front of his kids
Covering his family
Till all little ones hurriedly
Followed Mum to safety.
Such a touching scene to see!

The lady was in tears...
So much worried!
They’re in the water
She... on land!
Nothing she could do to prevent...
But she was so touched
Witnessing such courage and noble love!
The babies always stay close
And follow their mother
Never disobey or stray from her
Who is their teacher?...

They do not use any language
That the human knows of.
However, they understand each other
Perhaps more than humans do!
Strange! Don’t you think so?

They are not talking
Yet there’s perfect... “Sync!”
They are growing... and growing...
Now you can hardly tell
Who is the mother
Who is the sibling!

Harvest in Amoura
And the “colony” grows larger
Since it began summer.

Ah! Look at that, eh!
How lovely they are
God made them perfect!
Woah!
The meeting “club”
Of young goslings
And the lady is very happy
   To see them big, well and plenty
        Very very happy is she.
She welcomes them all
  With food and love, tenderly.
So beautiful is he!
Never seen one like this before
Has a name though:
“Or”!
He is so colorful! And so friendly

And not afraid of the lady
Comes quite near for bread!
He’s adopted and loved, this “little Egyptian”

By these protective geese “parents”!

They always surround him as if he’s their most precious.
Simple charm in Amoura
Coots
The Shy Hermits
The Beginning of Courtship
Of Co and Ju
A Beaver and a Coot
Racing for food
Odd combination
Same destination

A Master diver
Coots can stay long under
A similar size as pigeon
They’re in the family of moor-hen.
On a tour of food supply
The lady discovered this nest.
  Mom and Dad out for lunch
While this photo was taken.
She had to climb the tree and be quick
Before the parents are back.

Spring comes not only with flowers
But also lots of gifts to offer
Life blossoms anew...
After the long winter.
The coots are much more of a hermit
Than the swans, geese or ducks.
They are also much smaller
Mostly they only come near
If other water-fowls are there.
    They would wait otherwise
    Till the human is out of sight
Any slightest movement from the feeder
    They would take flight!

But there’s one couple
Who come running when the lady is near
And partake of the food
That she daily thrice offers.

Even if one or both are hatching
On their nest at that moment
Mind you, only for food
Not to get too close, Eh!
The sign reads:
“Will be back after lunch”
The youngest sits and waits
The rest went with Mom & Dad away

The lady placed a little bread here
In case Mom couldn’t find
Any food near.
There is still one more to come.
The mother is patient
The lady is “in waiting.”

The parents keep coming and going
They never abandon the nest
But there are other offspring
That they must take care of.
See the famous large feet
for swimming great is?

This little one kept going in the wrong direction
So the lady has to go on a “rescue mission.”
She swooped it on to her boat
Carried it back to the parent’s abode.

“It’s comfortable here
I don’t want to stir.”
But the guy jumped back in the water
And ran chirping after her!!!
She explained to this precious
That she is not its mother.

"I am not your mother"

Wanting to follow “Her.”
“Hey, I do appreciate your love
But please go back to your flock
Mom and Dad will be worrying
If you go a-missing!”
Then, another nest here
My dear!
What a “Wonder-full” world!

Oblivious to the world
Song of the spring

And another nest after
Are they hatching forever!
In any case
Such a work of love
And artistic design
Who is their guide?

"I like you
But do not come close"

They are here already
Only this latest one is not in a hurry.
The lady came too near
That sparked some fear.
All others ran with the parents
Only one left chirping here.
Though reclusive and maybe afraid
of human - who wouldn’t, eh? –
The Mom and Dad kept coming near
To protect the little: Love is greater than fear!

Panicked Mom and Dad
Going back and forth...
Hiding away the older ones
Trying to protect this little young

The lady was in tears.
“I am so... sorry
I’d never hurt you
I’ll leave right now!”

“...Just wanna feed you
Next time...
I won’t come so close.”

Who taught them all
this concern?
This is long after they’re hatched
The lady has regained their trust
Otherwise they’d hide near the shore
And parents take turns to carry food there.
And the “journey” could be long
Like from this shore to the other!

The lady wishes she could just fly
Here, there, to bring them the supplies!
Seeing coot Mama swim such a long distance
Carrying each morsel to her children
The lady’s heart feels such tender love
Such an indescribable sentiment!
They would nip a piece in their beak
And swim away to feed their kids
It is a heartwarming scene to behold
In love they’re nourished
And in love they grow!

- Who instructed them so?
The building
Of a “Bridge Restaurant”
It took one woman, two men
Some cables, some fence
Three days, no cement
The lady was the “engineer”
The two men were good helping hands

Great Crested Grebe
The Reclusive Diver

The access to Swanie Island
The white “dot” above is a hatching swan
This is as good as it gets
The photo is already the best
Anyway they are
Similar size as ducks,
A little more slender.
(Just enjoy the Autumn lake color!)
This water beauty never came
Close enough for a better vision.
Bread or stuffs never tempted him
They just love to dive and swim.

If you feel it’s disappointing
Please stop further looking.
The worse photos are coming!
Well, it’s better than nothing
At least, to show their existence.
With binoculars, they are fascinating!

Deer Road
The signature of Autumn
Yeah! I am asking for the same answer:
No no no! It's not a hammer,
It's a great crested grebe

It's a bird!
If you don't believe,
Go nearer and see
Ha... Ha!

Oh! He ran away even further.
Will try to get a better picture.
(Serious!) - OK?
Thanks to the computer – he has “grown” bigger.

Great Crested Grebe (à la Ching Hail)
Through binoculars.
Greater Grebe?
(Ha ha! No, it’s the same guy.)

Great Crested Grebe (à la Ching Hai!)
Looked through binoculars
(In case) you don’t like the picture of the other guy!
Maybe this is his buddy!
Mute Swans
The Main “Residents”
(Of the Lake)

Gina & Moruwey
In the beginning was the (S)... wan
Beautiful, young and lonesome
Visiting an old lady’s home.
Gina is her name.

We are friends

Gina and the lady
Gina has a daughter swanie
Said her name is Moruwey
(Don’t ask me!)
Who loves to be among gulls.
They get on so well!

Who can blame you
Peace and quiet, huh!
Look at the two of them
Lovely beyond description!
– Born friendly and tame –

The threesome friends
Sharing simple lunch.
Having nice “Conversation.”
But they moved away
When the spring arrived
Ah, reunion and depart
So, it’s life.

By the way,
“How old is old?”
“We do not have to use verbal language. We communicate in silence. We need not talk about love, harmony and peace. We live in them.”

Pitu
After a short while
There came this beauty.
She is tender young and lovely
Loves to befriend the lady.
“This is “PeeToo”
(Written Pitu)
She came from far away
Finland is home – she says –

Vis à vis?
Lonesome Beauty
She enjoys herself greatly
On the Amoura water
Feeling so... care free.

Pitu in her natural habitat
Gloriously beautiful
And smart
Pitu enjoys her home
Seems to love being alone.
Here comes “The one.”
His name is Sai:
Saying from India

Not for long

Handsome, tough and strong
Macho 100%.
And the two-some of them
Produce some more “somes.”
Here’s Pitu hatching...
Concerned about her
The lady brought food and care!

Petit – Princess Island
For a diligent, among the best Moms
The distance is never too long.

“I’ll take care of your family
Like I did a long time ago.
Nice to see you again good friend
How many there under your wings?”
So...o...Many.
I'm proud of you
Dear loved Pitu!

One on one.
(One in a nest
One in the tent)
“It’s thoughtful to bring me some drink
But I’ll get water from the abundance,
What do you think?... Thanks!”

Sai Sai comes up to the nest
On the Swanie Island for a little rest
And to keep Pitu companied...
(Though the Gal never feels lonely!)
Pitu is turning the hatchlings
Sai Sai is nearby guarding.

... And to check on mother and dears
Most of the time he stands guard on water.
(... Do not venture near here,
Sai can really teach you fear!)
The proud owner of Bridge Restaurant

The “communication” begins
Between Ma and future siblings
Pitu would pluck her silky feathers
To inlay the nest softer
Day and night, rain or shine
She protects her nestlings as her life.

The lady brings daily supply
Of Pitu’s favorite and for Sai.
They love soft bread, lettuce and spinach.

Pitu in her nest and dining room.
The lady supplies all that they need.
She even camped next door to them
(Not a good idea, don’t try at home!)
The Swans didn’t mind she came and went. They were used to her by then. Still, it’s best to stay away. They are fiercely protective of their family!

One day the lady used a stick of wood. Tried to remove something from their nest. Because it seemed to pierce the body of Pitu. But she went berserk, called Sai to Shoo. He flew to her immediately. Advancing with pumped up giant body. With deliberate threatening gesture and Hissing. Cornering and almost pushed the lady down. But she said “I am good, I am good. I only wanted to help Pitu. The stick from her neck to remove. I am good to you!” He calmed down instantly. And went back down to the water! Whewph...!
Later, the lady moved her tent
Near to the bridge, on higher elevation.
Just to watch over the swans
And wait for the blossoming of the little ones!

The lady’s quarters
On Swanie Island.
Again: “Can one person be called a team?”
– Who cares!
Here they are, oh dear!
Who makes them so adorable?
The lady was beyond happy
Tending to them like her babies.
We are all waiting
But this one doesn’t like coming
Oh well. If it’s willing not
Maybe it feels better in Heaven!
The lady abandoned her tent
Not wanting to disturb them
Respecting their privacy
She camped in another place nearby.
Before going on exploration
Listen well to the good guidance.

First-time outing on water
With Papa.
It’s not difficult to know
Who’s Sai and who is Pitu
Sai has a bigger body and black feet.
Pitu’s more slender, light “paws,” and chic.
Pitu is also the more noble of the two
Elegant, gentle and beautiful.
There is something about her, inborn
That commands respect and admiration.

Trusting Ma
in unknown waters.
Only fifteen or so days old
They already can travel
Paying the old lady a grateful visit
She’s waiting happily
For her extended family.

When the training get tough
When the wind is too rough
There’s good transportation
Quick, comfy and convenient.
Sai is chewing the food to bits:
Easier for the kids to eat.

The siblings can eat at all times
Taking very short naps
During hatching time and after even
One hardly sees the parents resting!

It was still very cold in mid-spring
At night temp drops to plus 5-6
Pitu sat on duty and rarely moved.
Sai never slept all night through
He was constantly vigilant – deep in the icy water.
The lady camped near and fed Sai-Sai
He came often for a quick bite.
How did Pitu survive so long
Who helps her stay healthy and strong?
Who keeps Sai Sai through the night warm?
Even after the babies are hatched
Pitú hardly eats nor sleeps much!
Her weight came low
Her feathers thinning
She plucked them to quilt their nest!
Now she has only half her wings!
Seeing thus the lady kept crying

Carpeted the ground
That your tender feet walk!
Know that you are
Loved!
She cannot fly nor does want to
Her life is bound with the littles

The lady’s heart feeling some pain
Seeing Pitu’s body thus waned
The lady keeps singing her name, coaxes her to eat
Sometimes succeeds, most often nicht!
Thus day by day the littlings grow
So does the lady’s love for them and Pitu
She loves Sai also, but it’s different.
She feels more sympathy for mother swan.

Pitu was always watchful over her precious. Sometimes chasing fishes away, sometimes beavers or any intruder that might come too near. Well, the swanlings are still very fragile and small, who could blame her?

The lady keeps trying to convince Pitu to eat something:

“Come on Pitu, please eat so that you stay strong and healthy, so that you can take care of your babies, please Pitu, please! It hurts me to see you so thin and having so little rest. Please eat.”
Then she broke the whole meal bread into chew sizes, threw them next to Pitu; Pitu would eat a little, but then too distracted by other “intruder” – or just busy watching in all directions, making sure her babies are safe.

One just has to witness it to feel what the lady feels for Pitu. Words fail to express when it comes to sympathy and love!

But Sai is also very diligent and smart. He does more than his share for his children. No one knows how he went sleepless. Soaked in cold water during hatching, He rarely went ashore, relentlessly guarding.
His eyes penetrate the whole lake
He left no chance, he missed nothing.
One time the lady’s boat was too near
He circled around to tell us “Disappear!”
He was polite at first
But when we persisted, he went berserk
Becoming war-like
Till we got it and “fly.”
Only after the kids grow bigger
Seem less prone to predators and danger
That they take turns to cool their heads
Life in the wild (must be lots of stress)!

The secret hide-out
On this island
Lots of residents
Swans, ducks, coots, rats, beavers...
All sizes, all shapes and all colors
Guarding treasures
On the lady’s back yard
On their island or on water
On familiar ground
On strange land…

Or wherever…
One never knows!
They are too fragile and little,
If the kids like it here
The parents would stand guard forever!

You can tell who’s Papa?
Right, the black feeter
And he’s always in alert poised
Big and scarier!
– To ward off any intruder –
Think twice before you go near
(Don’t ever)
Leave the rest... 
... for the geese?

If they don’t know you
Better stay far.
Even if they do
Caution is always healthier!
For their babies, they’d act in frenzy!

Don’t even try.
Even if their feeding abounds
The parents always dig some plant out
To teach their kids all about survival
All the arts of know-how.

Though tough to strangers,
To their kids, extremely tender.
Their love and sacrifice
Will bring tears to your eyes.

And although Sai is protective to his kids
He still remembers the lady’s kindness
Mostly he is very polite to her
Always flies to where she is
Or whenever she calls.
(If he happens to be without the kids)
When she arrives to feed
They’d all come around and wagging tails
Not kidding, it’s real!
(The ducks and their kids do the same though.)
One time the lady was so upset
Seeing little coots being harassed
She talked to Sai of how she felt
Tears in her eyes as sadness welled

He looked at her and flew straight to the water
Chasing away that “bad” oppressor
Came back and stood around the lady
Puffing his wings and held his head proudly
But with sympathetic gestures.
So astonished was she
There was a silent telepathy
Hard to explain
But she would assure you
That Sai understood
Every single thing she said
In English, eh!

If you know a wild
Try it yourself!
Don’t be surprised
At their rapport,
Humans are the ones,
Who know not a lot!
For now, they are the most devoted
Loving parents and loyal guardians
Touching the hearts of any-one!
See how the parents stand by
Watching them eat?
Their most favorite!
They hardly ever touch any.
But just feed themselves lake weeds!
The children are on the grow
It seems they can always eat!
The lady keeps giving,
The kids keep munching.
They feed every two, three hours
All day and all night.
They don’t just feed on lettuce & bread,
Sai and Pitu teach them the wild diet.
It’s good for them to learn independence.
The lady knows when to give what and when none.
When the kids were still small
Sai always chewed their food to little
Or gestured to them, “Here, take it”
One can observe all their “speech.”
Hi!
Heavenly PaMa of Mine!

Rush hour
Near the royal Bridge Restaurant
We are near
Come on dears.
The lady is waiting
With food and luvving.
They always lie down
On her yard to eat
Not shy, not ashamed, not afraid.
They love fresh lettuce
She loves to feed!

Lunch chez lady’s palace
Crispy lettuce and wholesome bread
After such long and tired swimming
It’s so good to relax and enjoying.
See what I mean?
In the water
They all look smaller
But when on land
They’re almost big as mother!
But still
They stick close to her
And always show obedience
“Mother knows best” — they think.
Last piece of lettuce
Still tastes delicious!

They share every thing
Never trifle or competing
Such peace and harmony!
Wishing it on all beings.
At such tender age
Already knows sailing
He uses only one paddle here
To balance stable “standing.”

Sometime they frolic
In the lake water
Like standing erect on it
Or diving deep down under
Taking a dip and another dip
Or grooming their silky pluffy feathers.
Who are you, that comes and goes?

How come the swans
Look so like the trees!
Who made their differences,
Who made their similarities?
The lady hears
The lady sees:
The swans do snore
Like “every” body!

It must be taxing
Watching every noise
Hearing every shade
Twenty four vingt-quatre.
But Sai and Pitu
Carry out with gladness
Like all parents do.
We salute you
We salute the great love in all.
Under the “great protection’
Every place seems like Heaven.

Feels like “Chez moi” *
  * at home

Feeling safe
Even the parents
Can afford to sleep!
Letting off guard.
(Only at their place
And the lady’s yard)
Growing fast...
And strong!
Mostly the length and breadth of the lake
Or the "restaurant" at the bridge
Or to the lady’s house.
She leaves food at various places
For them to find out (like natural)
If not, they would come knocking
First only Sai or both go checking
If the lady is there, they’d hiss
To signal them to come, the kids.
They’d always sit there and wait
Ever so quiet and polite.
Only Sai “puffs up” a little
Seeing his reflection as another guy
He’d walk back and forth, to and fro
Ready to defend against whom-so-ever

Sai goes first to clear the way
And to check if the food’s ready.
When he sees the sign of bread
He’d go back to bring the family.
The thing is that they all will part
When the time comes as the kids grow up
Like nothing has ever happened.
Such unconditional love and detachment!
The beauty
Is already
Evident...
White feathers
Hidden under wings!

Getting whiter!

Getting flowery
Learning to be independent
And obedient is the beginning
Of good leadership

“Do what I tell you
And do what I do”
The "unsocial" heron
Still blue and still alone!
He is just a tourist and unknown.

Teeming with friendly society
I’ll be like Mumy

But I am already pretty!

See the white feathers
Round my wings and under?

And I can fly
Far and wide!
We are big things!
We are already flying
Though it’s still short distance
We can feel our powerful wings!
We are three and half months old.
And we still grow!
Over the trees and in mid-air
Our vision expands, everywhere.

Already as big as Mama!

Growing “too big” and beautiful
For the poor camera
Very early morning, even the sun did not want to wake up yet; a veil of fog is spread over the whole lake and most of its surroundings, but the winged residents and “not” are already on their way for breakfast.

It must have been very cold in the night, and they’d have felt the need to replenish their energy, especially the young ones who need to be fed often.

In their early days, their parents took the swanlings out to feed every few hours, day & night.

Doesn’t that sound familiar?

Yeah! To the human counterparts.
Doing fine, kid!
You are the eldest
It’s OK to take the lead
Take care of yourself
And each other
When soon you’ll grow much older.

Thank to God, the greatest designer
Who sends decoration for the lady’s front yard
All the residents in the village
Enjoy these delicate beauties so much!
Or perhaps he was tired
Taking care of family and on guard
Day and night for many months
It’s taxing, even if he’s strong.
But that doesn’t make him weak
He still scares off the geese
If they ever dare to venture
Somewhere near his dear treasures.

Sai has in turn lost half
The feathers of his wings
Perhaps he’s molting
Perhaps he plucked them off
To soften the cold ground of their nest.

Though he doesn’t mind
For his kids to sacrifice.
It must be frustrating now
Always lagging behind!
Sai, the great!
Now, only half-winged,
Still fast sailing,
Still beautiful,
Still magnificent,
Still can scare away
Any intruding.

There are hundreds of geese together, but they never
compete for food - Never fight back with "big" swans,
always well behaved, gentle and peaceful
Although Sai sometimes shoos away the biggies, he is very gentle with smalllings like seagulls, calling them to share food.

And whenever the lady is near, he digs up plants from the lake bottom to offer to her.
Tough Sai Sai, Oh!
Eating without much of the usual gusto.
When you’re lonely,
No!

Lonely for a day
Sai without Pitu and kids
They have flown far away
And his wings have not grown back yet!
Night view of the moon light
While waiting for the swanlings
And Pitu to return from their
first long-range-flight
Little Marvel
Precious Gardener
She takes life leisurely
  He takes time to journey
She enjoys her breakfast
  Fresh, nutri-full and ready...

I enjoy simple lunch
Supplied by the Providence
I also prune the shrub
Keep a nice and neat garden.

Tiny resident
  Groomer of the garden
  God loves him so much
  He's made him radiant!
* Precious life
Beautiful color
Who creates her design
So precise and bright!

I may be tiny
But to an ant...

... I am a biggy!
"Ain’t I beautiful!"

God always gives flowers
To the lady in spring and summer.
Beavers
The Constructors
Meet Nu the beaver
The dam builder
Proud and loving Dad
Bridge Restaurant’s regular customer.
And meet lady beaver
Quiet and timid Zu
She would eventually come near
After a while knowing you.
Of course not rushing like Nu
She is a graceful lady though.

Yeh! come meet the third party So
That you may watch and adore.
His parents told him not to fear
So he comes when the lady’s near.
Of course the food is a helping factor!
He is so cute and smart little doll.
See how Nu holds the bread in his hands
Eating calmly like a gentle man
But he chews quite fast and eats a lot
(He needs it after much construction work.)

Isn’t he beautiful?

He’s no longer afraid of any human
The first to rush here to Bridge Restaurant
Then goes from one slice of bread to another
Precise, never hesitates or wavers.
Zu is still shy and reserved
Stays a little distance and not eating that much!
Zu is a bit smaller.
And her face is round and pinkier.
See the difference between the two
Zu stays little far way, and so close is Nu
But they are both so… cool!

Beaver
The ten percentener
10% NQ!

Miss Beaver “Do”
Pronounced “Du”

One is grateful feeling love here
The tiny blossoms bring God’s love near.
On the garden’s slender grass blades
A magnificent message of grace…
Fish
The Mysterious

Camping with spider's family!
Fish & bread

The fishes also love bread
They always join in at the fest
Here they come to enjoy their dinner
Glad not to be on a lunch table!

Here is another fish who came to the party
We celebrate abundance and life every day
The residents on and off the lake love it
All joyfully partake of the treats
God’s love is upon all who know Hiers name
Glorious praise to The ONE in the entire creation!
Mysterious creatures!
Maybe a monster?
No, no, they are just fishes
Coming up for dinner.

The mysterious “Figure”
With three mysterious colors!
Gulls
The Sociable Tourists
Sharing And Caring...

The trace of time
The gull tourists
Carrying food in their beaks.
Whenever the Bridge Restaurant opens
They call each other to come at once
All share together with ducks and swans...
They never eat alone.
These are the “Foreign tourists”
With strange tales from west to east.

They are happy to know this land
That has festival every day - no end.

“Where we came from, there’s ‘no free lunch’
But over here they give you food and drink
We love it much, we stay longer
Here we have every thing that we wish for.”
The glory of wild grass!
Who makes them thus?

Garden Birds
The Joy Bringers
Some Say Even Luck!
These are beautiful birds
That became the regulars
If there’s no food on the grass
They would come knocking on the glass!

Yoo hoo!

Let me go and see
If I can talk to the lady
The food she gave is much nicer than this
I’ll be back – real quick
The lady always comes to feed them.
They became almost like friends
There's not a word spoken between them
Just a love that's simple and untamed.

Meanwhile I eat what's here!

Let's go over there
Bread is scattered everywhere!
We don't want to eat this stuff
I'll show you what real food is,
Hurry up!
You better be right!
I'd also like to try.

Wild nutrients!
Anyway, we all can share
There's enough under the lady's care.

Oh this guy is really fast
There's no one when I was here last.
There, there!
Pick it up
And try the stuff.
Don’t worry
It’s good
Guaranteed!

Ah! Ah! Wait for me my dear
But it is even safe to eat right here!
The Magnolia
On the lady’s back yard

Some Other Kinds of Residents
There’s always some activities with some residents in the village. Chasing your own shadows or chasing your tails are some. Or just hanging around, hanging onto the wall, barking at random… are favorite pass-times of quite a few co-inhabitants.

Others prefer hanging on the ceiling, quacking at themselves or talking to his/her own tail, or toys in some cases.

Oh they do watch TV, video too, like every one else heh!
Birds’ play pen

Some dog’s home!!!
Guess whose home!
There’s always some special program in the village with the residents.

(The guy is in love Can you see?)
Some kind of “body” guard?

No! A guarded body.

When you have clumsy 2-legged and big 4 leggy as residents in a house, What will be the result?

(Answer: Broken glass!!!)
The village road
And some “invisible” residents
Some of the residents
Are “ascetic”! = sleeping on the bare floor!
(only in...summer)

Pillow fight, anyone?

Oh well!
I'll just use it for myself
Waiting for the swans
Or ducks, or squirrels
Or birds...
Or whatever

Other kinds of residents
(Actually, they’re similar)
Me like you
Me love the cool floor, too.

Training
for action???

A relaxy resi

In Amoura Villy.
Golden girls of Amoura.
Self serving buffet.

The lady’s “home bakes”
(She’s behind the cakes!)
Meditating?
Pretend to be sleeping

Chatting to your own tail is a pass-time hobby.
Chatting about things

Sweet home of the same lady
A visit by the fog, at the lady's home

The sovereignty of the fog
And the untamed garden

The Universal Connection
This pregnant goat (named “Bu”) stumbled from the mountain slope into a ditch behind a fence. (She had not eaten anything for several days and became very weak.) The lady freed her, fed her and searched for the right caretaker to return her to her flock, as per Bu’s request. She was so excited, trembling when she overheard the lady’s phone conversation reading her tag number to the prospective “carer.”

All the four-legged (dog) residents did not bark at her. (Well, only once at the first surprise encounter.) They were so gentle around her as not to frighten the desperate goat all the while that she was in their “land.” The lady was so proud of their good behavior! Praised them hugely!

After numerous phone calls to different places, her caretaker was found! She did not want to leave the lady’s yard when her “carer” arrived. So the lady’s assistants had to carry her to his van. She kept looking at the lady with loving eyes. It was not easy for her to part with Bu, though they had only short acquaintance. But Bu wanted to reunite with her love “Ro” – and she will be happier there!

Good luck Bu!
The lady gave Bu’s carer some money, making him promise to call a vet, take good care of Bu and her child. He did promise!

The next afternoon, the vet called to tell us that Bu is OK, no serious injury. But she advised her carer to give her good rest, not moving long distance but stay in her shed with her flock. Bu had lost 3 kilos during the hungry days in the ditch! But she’s OK otherwise! And Bu is going to have twin babies. (She did tell the lady that she’s having “children.”)

We called to thank the carer for letting us know through the vet about Bu’s well being; although we had requested, but weren’t sure that he would do so! And though Bu already informed the lady, she’s so glad to know the confirmation physically.
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### Examples of nutritious, life saving food:

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<tr>
<th>Foods</th>
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<tr>
<td>Tofu (from soya)</td>
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<td>Rice</td>
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<td>Soy beans, kidney beans, chick peas, lentils, etc.</td>
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<td>Almonds, walnuts, cashews, hazel nuts, pine nuts, etc.</td>
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<td>Pumpkin seeds, sesame seeds, sunflower seeds, etc.</td>
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- Concentrated multi-vitamin tablets/capsules are also a good source of vitamins, minerals and anti-oxidants.
- Fruits and vegetables are full of vitamins, minerals and anti-oxidants and contain high-quality fiber for maintaining good health and a long life.
- The recommended daily allowance: 50 grams of protein (Average adult).
- Calcium from vegetables is more absorbable than from cow’s milk.

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- To diminish the real threat of a worldwide pandemic from bird flu,
- To avoid the danger of mad cow disease (BSE) and pig disease (PMWS), etc.
- To stop the continuing gruesome sacrifice of billions of our sweet domestic animals, marine life and feathered friends daily.

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- It’s Economy
- It’s Ecology
- It’s Compassion
- It’s Peace
- It’s Noble

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Throughout this beautifully illustrated book *The Birds in My Life*, Supreme Master Ching Hai invites us to enter the inner world of animals. That is, when we love them unconditionally, they will in return open their hearts to us without reservation. It is really a wonderful book, flowing with love and harmony on every page. Supreme Master Ching Hai helps us to understand that animals have very noble and beautiful souls. What an amazing book! Animals are humans’ good friends. Hope everyone comes to read this marvelous book.

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In the newly released *The Dogs in My Life* (Volumes 1 & 2), the first publication lovingly written and personally designed by Supreme Master Ching Hai, readers will re-discover the simplicity of love and rejoice in the sincerity of friendship, as exhibited by the 10 canine friends, with names like Benny, Lucky, Happy, Goody, and Hermits. Learn about the Schol, Fruity, Princissa, Chip Ahoy, the Shadow Hunter, and others listen to their engaging tales. They all have diverse life stories and distinctive personalities, yet their devotion for their “human pet” is unequivocal, and their humor, intelligence and many other noble qualities are truly from the same source.

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“I hope to let the readers enjoy some glimpse of the beautiful ways that dogs walk the Earth with us, and through them, understand more about other beings.”

~ Supreme Master Ching Hai
"The Noble Wilds" Readers' Comments

Malik Nasir, reader from Pakistan: Halal! I'm from Pakistan. My name is Malik Nasir. I read this book, "The Noble Wilds." It's a very good book. I like especially its pictures. I think Supreme Master Ching Hai is the best writer.

Uranchimeg, reader from Mongolia: This wonderful book shows us animals' inside thoughts and emotions we humans have not known.

Uuganbayar, reader from Mongolia: When reading this book, I get inner peace and comfort, as well as love for all living beings and Mother Nature of this planet, and it helps me to understand our co-inhabitants.

Mirian Takahashi, reader from Brazil: Hi I am Mirian from Brazil, I've read this book that my son has, I like it very much. There are many good pictures. I like the direct language; it leads us to reflection on the beautiful images.

Mr. Hisao-Yu Tang, Director of Endemic Species Research Institute, Council of Agriculture, Executive Yuan: Let's turn to the warnings raised by the United Nations in the last few years regarding the impact to wild animals caused by the global warming. It's huge. I think the extinction of wild animals has sped up rather than slowed down. These wild animal species have lived on this planet since time began. It's a complementary relationship between human beings, animals, and plant life. We are closely related to each other. Whether it's one ecosystem disappearing or one ecosystem thriving, it certainly impacts other animals' species' survival. So I think global warming is a very big alert, and that the whole world should face it seriously. I think this book is quite good. It appeals to humankind to protect the wild animals. I also hope Supreme Master Ching Hai can guide us in treasuring the Earth and protecting our environment.

"The Noble Wilds" Readers' Comments from Amazon.com

A reader named C. R. Tumminaro: "The book is truly heart-melting. The photos are romantic, which conveys the deep love that the wilds have. The actions are something that we do not get to witness often, and when paired with the beautiful poetry, it definitely shows true tenderness. A healing and redemptive book that's full of love!"

Emmanuel in Paris, France: "I could feel such a very surprising and delicate and unknown joy... Like a deep truth being shared with others, absolute heartwarming; not just about animals but about ourselves, humans, too."

Jim from California, USA: "A marvelous and refreshing book that brings comfort and peace to me every time I open it - from Page one till the end, I enjoyed the theme as if I am right next to the swan, the lake, the forest, and the wilds. Gorgeous pictures save me from the jungle of the city!"
A university professor in the US: "The Noble Wilds," written and photographed by Supreme Master Ching Hai exemplifies an alternative, compassionate way of living during an age of the ever increasingly growing environmental crises. One cannot help asking: Why have humans not been able to live in peace, love, harmony with these wonderful beings?"

Shilton in Formosa (Taiwan): "It is so interesting to record the life of the swan family, especially when we learn that the swans have their own names just like we do. So animals are just like us."

Reader in South Africa: "After reading The Noble Wilds, I can truly see how incredible God is in his purpose of sending us such wonderful animals to inspire us to treat one another with love and dignity."

Su Mei Ting, Chinese reader: "We are so blessed to have these noble wilds as company. Highly recommended!"

Reader in Canada: "There is some deep connection here. Nature in my world now seems a bit more vibrant!"

Anonymous reader: "If you open your mind and let the author take you on her journey, you'll be able to see animals as she does - with love, respect, and admiration. We can learn so much from them, and we need to."

Reader in UK: "I felt an overwhelming love and respect for the animal kingdom, all animals alike. Thank you Supreme Master for another gem brought to the world!"

Reader named Margaret: "Five stars! I am so touched by the love between the lady and these noble wilds. This wonderful book opens a window to the inner world of animals and is highly recommended for everyone."

Su Love in Formosa (Taiwan): This book for me is like God's gift."

Reader named "Happy Birdie": "The Noble Wilds" is an eye opener. Animals are entitled to sincere consideration as co-inhabitants on the Earth planet. Recognizing the sentience, inherent value, feelings and equal consideration of nonhuman beings, we should conserve and manage wildlife and animals with loving care and compassion."

Wang, an animal caretaker: "People may know IQ (intelligence quotient) and EQ (emotion quotient), but have you heard about NQ (Noble Quality)? In this book "The Noble Wilds," the author tells readers what NQ is and why some animals have higher NQ due to their love informs."

Reader from Atlanta, USA: "It's a very interesting book for both adults and children alike... After I read this book, I felt the Love of God through these wild creatures."
... I can't say everything about my interactions with the wild ones, just a little bit here and there. When a situation arises that I have to tell, then I tell a little bit.

In your care, the animals are grateful and they are very happy to help you in any way they can, depending on their capacity. They do the best they can to help better your life.

After a while, if you really love an animal, you will make contact; and then through that contact, you can contact other animals as well.

~ The Supreme Master Ching Hai