



SNAKE EATING BIRDS

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BIRDS are an important part of our ecosystem. There are several species of birds which survive in various habitat types and are among the essential groups that play a vital role in both the structure and function of ecosystems by providing numerous ecological benefits, such as seed dispersal, forest restoration, pollination of many tropical plant species, and pest control services. Apart from these, there are also some unusual species of birds which help in ecological balance in another way by eating reptiles, particularly snakes and that too poisonous snake. It may sound

strange, but to these birds, snakes are their staple diet. In this way, they help maintain the balance between predator and prey exceptionally.

Ophiophagy

In nature, food is an important thing for survival. Consequently, there is a lot of food diversity present in our natural world. However, some animals, like herbivores, are adapted to eat plant materials such as leaves, nuts, seeds, berries, etc. Other animals, like carnivores, have evolved