



Nature's Wonderful Colors



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Prelude

Who wouldn't like to explore all the nooks and crannies the world has to offer? And there are quite a lot of them! In some places, it's best to wear only a shirt, while others require you to put on a raincoat or warm fur parka. But has it ever occurred to you that the fact that some places are cold while others are hot, or that some experience heavy rains and others barely see a single raindrop, means that individual regions put on their own colorful coats, too?



Far beyond the polar circle where it's freezing cold, ice sheets shroud endless plains in pure white. Meanwhile, oceans are teeming with multi-colored fish and corals, gently bobbing on the waves. In desert sand dunes where it's hot and arid due to the golden sunrays, faded acacia and succulent leaves save their water for tomorrow, maybe even the day after tomorrow ... On the other hand, wet jungles have no lack of moisture. Just like meadows, they light up with a palette of the brightest colors whenever it rains. To make some sense of all this beauty, people have named many colors after the habitats they most resembled: that's how color names like forest green, savannah beige and even swamp brown saw the light of the day! Can you find any other shades such as these?

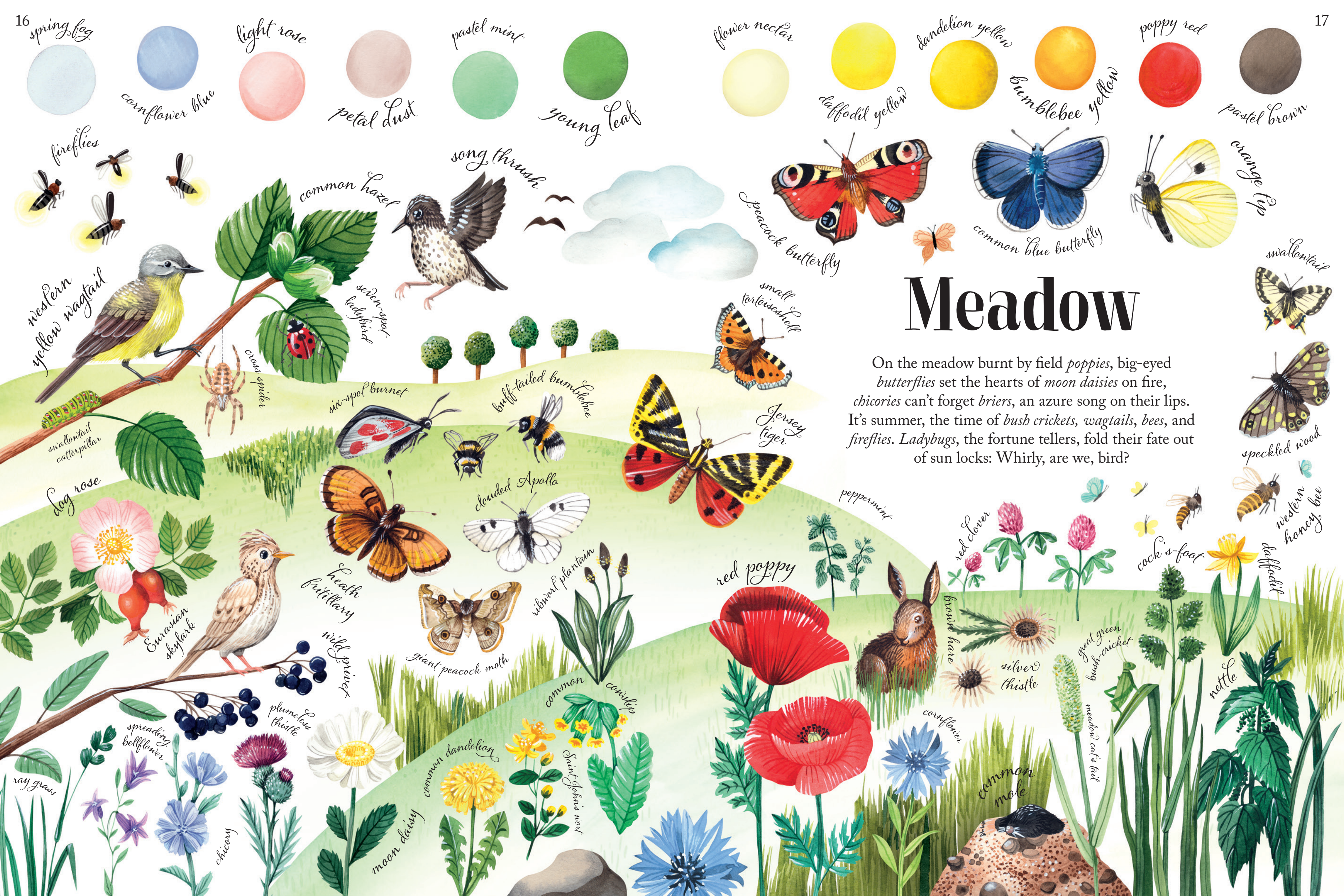


- Arctic blue
deep sea blue
glacier blue
polar bear white
snow white
frozen grass
- cool blue
ink blue
mirage blue
winter breath
polar white
blue whale

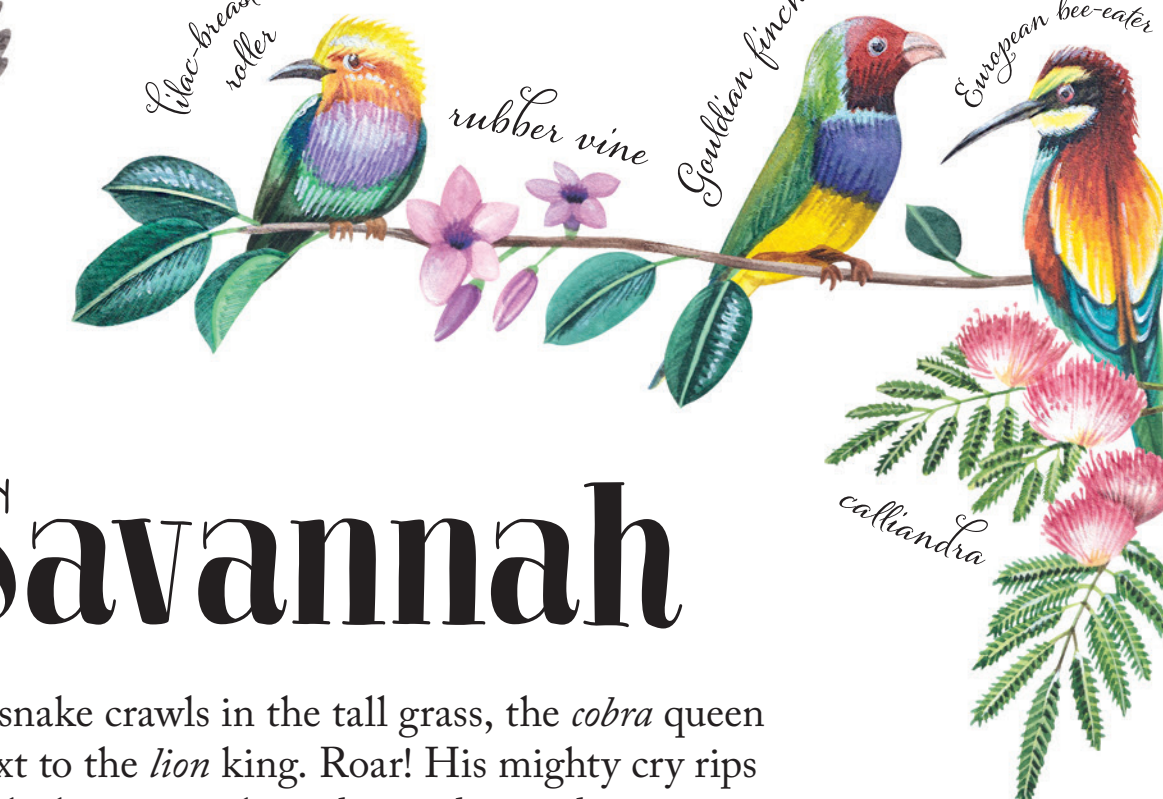
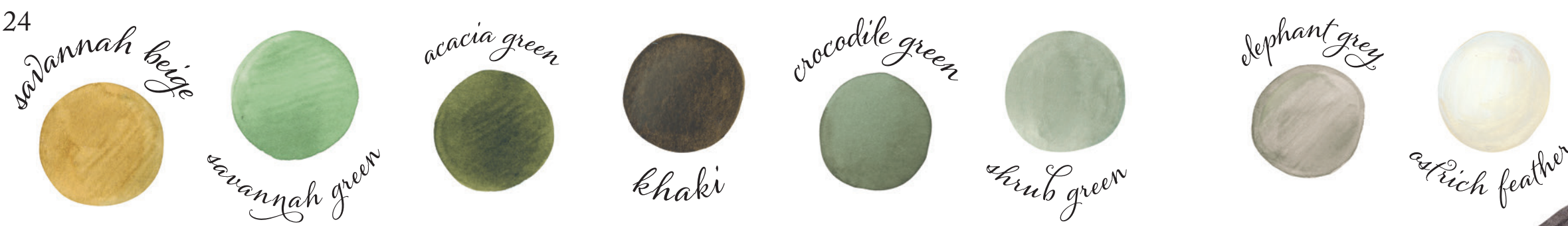
Polar regions

Scratch, scratch! Frosts scrape the ice with their polar hands, maliciously stinging birds beneath their black-and-white jackets. Whoo, whoo, the wind blows, the snow-white bear roars, and his cry turns into pillars of ice in the sea waves. Today and tomorrow ...

- snow petrel
iceberg
humpback whale
snow goose
Arctic tern
blue whale
narwhal
orca
giant squid
common murre
Antarctic fur seal
chintrap penguin
polar bear
walrus
elephant seal
leopard seal
polar fox
Arctic hare
emperor penguin
ground squirrel
Dall sheep
- annual meadow grass
tufted hairgrass
bearberry
Antarctic pearlwort



On the meadow burnt by field *poppies*, big-eyed
butterflies set the hearts of *moon daisies* on fire,
chicories can't forget *briers*, an azure song on their lips.
 It's summer, the time of *bush crickets*, *wagtails*, *bees*, and
fireflies. *Ladybugs*, the fortune tellers, fold their fate out
 of sun locks: Whirly, are we, bird?



Savannah

Hisss, a snake crawls in the tall grass, the cobra queen right next to the lion king. Roar! His mighty cry rips through the savannah, and scared birds disappear in the clouds, while a small *vervet monkey*, safe in his *acacia*, spitefully laughs at everyone and everything.





Every habitat in the wide world has been painted by nature's unique color palette. The frosty polar landscape glitters with blue-white tones, the jungle dances wildly in the colors of tropical fruits, and the grassy savannah silently hides in beige and khaki. Take a walk with us through the farthest places and discover colors that are connected to them. With our book, you'll have them right in front of you! Throughout this colorful adventure, you will imagine all sorts of sounds, tastes, and smells. Can you hear the mud bubbling silently right in the middle of the bog? And do you feel the sun warming up every stone in the desert? We had better cool ourselves down in the ocean! And after a walk, whenever you want, you can learn to match colors as harmoniously as nature can.

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