**Develop your own list of favored musicians.** In your own growing list of favored musicians, maybe each is associated with some special time and place in your life, and that’s all it takes. I have to confess, though you probably knew all along: These last few “author’s choice” birds are special to me, but hardly more so than all the other birds in this book. Listening to me enthuse about birdsong on a ten-week bicycle ride from Virginia to Oregon, my son finally asked, “But how can all birds be the most spectacular?” “It’s just the way it is,” I explained fully. After 50 years of intensive listening, I find each species and *each individual* fascinating, and the honest answer to the question “Which is your favorite?” is “The bird I’m listening to now.”