

# Samuel Bloch

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## Wildlife & conservation photographer

*A visual storyteller bringing wild stories to the world*

My main centres of interest are birds and ecosystems. I'm fascinated by the complexity of life and the interactions between wild species, and I'm committed to having a positive impact on biodiversity. I firmly believe all things have a right to grow.

### My visual storytelling projects

Ongoing	Urban birds of Helsinki: questioning coexistence
Ongoing	Saimaa ringed seal conservation in Eastern Finland
Ongoing	Migratory fish conservation in Southern Finland
Ongoing	Desertification in Kazakhstan
2021	The arrival of summer under the Midnight Sun of Lapland
2018-2019	The fight against introduced mammals in New Zealand
2018	Bird life in remote Subantarctic islands

### Publications and awards

2023	Published in <a href="#">Suomen Luonto</a> : Tundra, Land of the Midnight Sun
2021	Published in French nature magazine <a href="#">Terre Sauvage</a> 2 articles: waders and wildlife sanctuaries of New Zealand (photos)
2021	Highly Commended - <a href="#">Mangrove Photography Awards</a> In Selection - <a href="#">Emotion'Ailes</a>
2020	Commended and Highly commended images in <a href="#">Bird Photographer of the Year</a> competition
2019	Published in <a href="#">Terre Sauvage</a> : Subantarctic islands of New Zealand and Australia (photos)

### Grants

2023	Finnfoto - 1000€ - Saimaa ringed seal conservation, visual storytelling
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### Writing

Since 2015	Blog and <a href="#">newsletter</a> writer, telling stories of wildlife and adventure (in English)
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### Guiding

Since 2022	Birding and nature photography guide in Central Asia and Finland. Floating hide, iconic birds in their environment and ethical practices (no baiting or playback).
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### Volunteering

New Zealand	<b>Wildlife Guardian</b> at Sandfly Bay, educating visitors about penguins and sea lions, monitoring and reporting on wildlife activity. <b>Ranger assistant</b> on Tiritiri Matangi Island, maintaining feeders, water troughs and visitor facilities.
France	Youth club and internship at LPO (bird protection society)