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Dr Anthony Robinson

# **Foreword**

The ecology of the Samoan archipeligo has been studied for thousands of years by humans. This research was initially passed on as oral history by the original inhabitants, but later was documented by successive waves of European colonists - missionaries, traders, plantation owners and colonial administrations.

With these and later studies yielding vast quantities of information, it is easy to envisage that researchers may be starting to "go over old ground", duplicating past work. This SPREP report documents as many of these past studies on the ecology of Samoa as is possible in an effort to reduce the chances of this duplication, and to offer directions for future research and studies.

We trust this will be the first of many such bibliographies, as we commence our own period of "the information revolution" in the Pacific islands.

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# 1. Introduction

This bibliography is one of the results of two years (October 1992 to August 1994) spent in Apia, Western Samoa working as the Resource Management Officer for the Division of Environment and Conservation, Department of Lands, Surveys and Environment of the Government of Western Samoa.

During this period one of my major tasks was to establish a computer database on the terrestrial biodiversity of the country. This required a thorough survey of the published taxonomic works on the plant and animal groups to be included in the database. The groups finally chosen were:

- Vascular Plants;
- Land and Freshwater Snails;
- Butterflies:
- Reptiles and Amphibians;
- Birds (including sea-birds and vagrant waders); and,
- Mammals (including marine):

As the 'Samoa Biodiversity Database' is designed as a practical conservation planning and management tool, searching for references to the ecology of Samoan species was also a part of the background to its preparation. More references are also included to general conservation management and, where appropriate to the ecological orientation of this bibliography, some environmental impact assessment studies are also included.

There is also some coverage of the marine environment, particularly fish, and also specific Samoan studies of marine ecosystems. As much of the marine flora and fauna of Samoa is widespread throughout the Indo-Pacific region there will be many other references from other areas which, although not cited here, will be useful in Samoa. Additional references to the fisheries of Samoa can be found in Gillett and Sua (1987).

Biogeographically, Western Samoa is very closely allied to the islands of American Samoa (see Fig. 1) and so both the database and this bibliography contains references and coverage of species found in both 'Samoas'.

There have been two previous bibliographies of this type for the Samoan Archipelago; Pearsall (1991a) which covers the whole archipelago, and is available in computer from the Pacific Environmental and Natural Resource Information Centre (PENRIC) in the South Pacific Regional Environment Programme office at Apia, while Knudsen et al. (1992), which is confined to American Samoa, is a printed document.

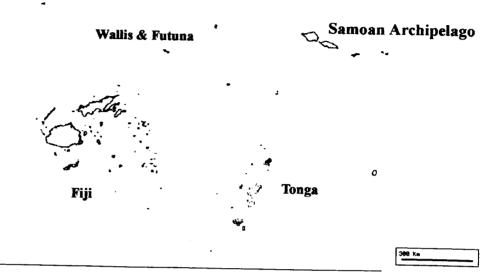
This new annotated bibliography, which contains a large number of references in addition to those already available will, it is hoped, form a valuable introduction to the extensive biological literature available on the group and so avoid the unnecessary duplication of existing work.

References to species which also occur outside the Samoan archipelago have been included where relevant. The bibliography is presented alphabetically and then chronologically. Single author references take priority over multiauthored references of an earlier date.

References included in the bibliography are current to June 1994.

Tuvalu

Tokelau .



WESTERN SAMOA

SAMOA

Menua Islands

Tutulla

Fig. 1: The location of the Samoan Archipeligo, and the islands that comprise it.

100 km

Source: DEC Biodiversity Database, June 1994.

# 1. Annoted Bibliography of Ecological and Related Studies in Samoa

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AMERICAN SAMOA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (1981) Animals of Samoa. Pago Pago, American Samoa. 47 pp.

(Species checklists with vernacular names for birds, insects, echinoderms, reef fish, marine molluscs, marine crustaceans, amphibians and reptiles.)

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# AMERICAN SAMOA NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION (1991)

Endangered species in American Samoa and a strategy for their protection. (Draft interim report) America Samoa Government, Pago Pago, American Samoa.40 pp.

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AMERSON, A. B., JR., W. A. WHISTLER, AND SCHWANER, T. D. (1982a) Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat of American Samoa. I. Environment and Ecology. USDI Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington, D. C. 119 pp.

(The results of a biological survey of the islands of American Samoa from June 1975 to December 1976. This volume documents the vegetation from 42 study plots and describes 16 vegetation communities on the seven islands.)

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AMERSON, A. B., JR., W. A. WHISTLER, AND SCHWANER, T. D. (1982b)

Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat of American Samoa. II. Accounts of Flora and Fauna. USDI Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington, D. C. 151 pp.

(Lists of species of plants, reptiles and amphibians, birds and mammals from the islands of American Samoa and some associated ecological information.)



ANDREWS, G. J. AND HOLTHUS, P. F.

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(A survey of the marine ecosystems surrounding the coast and islands of the SE end of Upolu. The range of marine habitats is mapped and recommendations made for the establishment of a marine protected area.)

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(A summary of the decline in the seaturtle polulations throughout the Pacific with information on species identification and basic turtle biology.)

007

ANON. (1976) Lake Lanoto'o - A project to establish a National Park in Samoa. Unpublished Report

> (Suggested boundaries for a national park in the upland area of Upolu centred on Lake Lanotoo.)

008

ANON. (1991) Locally available fresh vegetables. Nutrition Centre, Health Department, Western Samoa.

> (A guide to the nutritional value and hints on preparation of a range of both Polynesian and more recently introduced leafy vegetables.)

009

ANON. (1992) A Park to protect Flying Foxes. Bats 10: 3&19.

(Describes progress towards the establishment of the National Park of American Samoa.)

ANZDEC LIMITED CONSULTANTS. (1990)
Land Resource Planning Study Western
Samoa, Final Report. Asian Development
Bank TA 1065-SAM.

(Description of methods and presentation and discussion of results of the land use mapping and planning study. A series of digitised maps (using ARC-INFO software) were produced at a scale of 1:20 000 covering topography, roads and villages, land tenure, geology, soils and land capability based primarily on interpretation of 1974 aerial photography.)

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012

ASHMOLE, M. J. (1963) Guide to the Birds of Samoa. Pacific Scientific Information Center, B. P. Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii. 21 pp.

(A compilation of published accounts and specimens in the Bishop Museum to produce an annotated species list for the Samoan archipelago together with brief descriptions of each species.)

013

ATHERTON, J. (1994) Planning new
Conservation Areas in Western Samoa: A
Case Study. MSc thesis, School of
Agricultural and Forest Sciences,
University College of North Wales,
Bangor, U. K.

(The results of a questionnaire survey in the villages of Saanapu and Salaoa, Upolu, about establishment of a Conservation Area Programme in their mangrove forests.)

014

BAILEY, J. M. (1992) The Leaves we Eat. South Pacific Commission, Noumea, New Caledonia.

(Information on cultivation and preparation as food of 22 species of leafy vegetables grown on various Pacific islands.)

015

BAKER, H. B. (1938) Zonitid Snails from Pacific Islands Part 1:1. Southern Genera of Microcystinae. Bernice P. Bishop Museum Bulletin 158.

> (Includes descriptions of Samoan species Liardetia striolata and Lamprocystis upolensis.)

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(Includes measurements and description of Samoan species Trochomorpha troilus troilus, T. t. savaii, T. navigatorum, T. luteo-cornea, T. samoa, T. tuber, T. apia and T. tentiolorum.)

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BALAZS, G. H. (1979) Status of Sea Turtles in the Central Pacific Ocean. In: The Biology and Conservation of Sea Turtles. Smithsonian Press, Washington DC, USA.

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(Report on observations of green turtle nestings from all expeditions to Rose Atoll.)

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Satellite tracking of Hawaiian Green
turtles from nesting beaches to foraging
areas. Proceedings of the 13th Annual
Symposium on Sea Turtle Conservation
and Biology, 23-27 Feb 1993.

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021

BANKS, R.C. (1984) Bird Specimens from American Samoa. *Pacific Science* 38:150-169. illus.

(About 1200 bird specimens representing 43 species from the islands of American Samoa were examined and an annotated list produced which includes detailed information on the reproductive state of many of the specimens.)

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> (Results of village interviews to determine the status and utilisation of sea turtles in American Samoa.)

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BARTRAM, E. B. (1933) Polynesian Mosses.

Occasional Paper of the Bernice P. Bishop

Museum 10:1-18.

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(The distribution, habitat preference and natural history of the Tooth-billed Pigeon which is endemic to Savaii and Upolu. Describes and illustrates the use of it's distinctive beak in extracting seeds from the fruits of Dysoxylum spp. An estimate of the total population of 4800-7200 individuals is presented. Also includes the only published photographs of the species (a captive bird).)

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BEICHLE, U.R. (1989) Common Myna on Upolu: First record for Western Samoan islands. *Elepaio* 49:85-86.

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BEICHLE, U.R. (1991) Status and Acoustical Demarcation of Pigeons in Western Samoa. *Notornis* 38:81-86.

(The distribution and abundance of the six species of native pigeons in Western Samoa and written descriptions and sonograms of their calls.)

028

BEICHLE, U.R. AND MAELZER, M. (1985)
A conservation programme for Western
Samoa. Pp 297-299 In: Diamond, A.W.
and Loveday, T.E. (eds). Conservation of
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(A proposal for the establishment of 7 conservation reserves in Western Samoa and recommendations for other conservation measures aimed at the needs of the country's endangered pigeons.)

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Volume II. Collected Key Issue and Case
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Nature Conservation (Noumea 1988).
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