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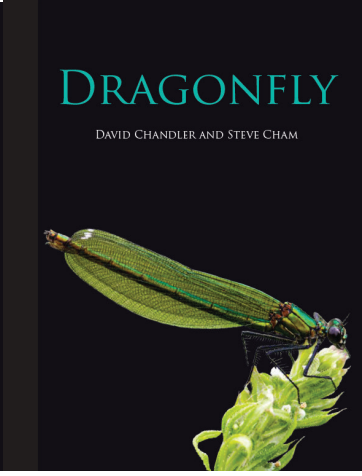

Supremely colourful, among the most voracious predators of the insect world and on the wing for more than 300 million years, dragonflies and damselflies capture the imagination in so many ways. Yet many aspects of their fascinating lives are little-known to humans. *Dragonfly* provides an insight into a hidden world through engaging text and stunning close-up photography.

This book combines insightful writing with rarely seen images of the life and behaviour of the world's dragonfly and damselfly species. There are chapters on subjects such as hunting, courtship and the emergence of the nymphs and their subsequent transformation into adult dragonflies. These insects are further brought to life through the personal experiences of the author and photographers, and these are woven into the text.

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The expert photographers include **Steve Cham**, who lives in Cambridge and has spent many years photographing dragonflies around the world. He specializes in aerial photography.

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