A Field Guide to the Dragonflies of Hainan

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With an area of more than 35,000 sq km and forested mountains rising to almost 2,000m, China’s Hainan Island, located near Vietnam in the South China Sea, boasts a wealth of tropical wildlife, much of it unique. Dragonflies are no exception, with approximately 170 species recorded to date (50 more than in the whole of Europe), of which more than 20 species are endemic to the island, including the extraordinary Phoenix damselfly, Pseudolestes mirabilis. This attractive photographic field guide, by two experts in the field, is the first of its kind for Hainan and will be an invaluable addition to the libraries of all who are interested in dragonflies in particular and Hainan’s wildlife in general.