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Nature's Heart has been in business for 20 months! The time has truly flown past. We have started the business completely from scratch with no knowledge or experience associated with online retail. We are therefore quite proud to have a fully functioning transactional website, and a strong following of customers and subscribers. Suffice to say that we are very grateful, and thank you as our customers and friends for the support. We realise that we have much still to learn, and indeed recognise that we have made mistakes along the way. You are all encouraged to send us constructive criticism and ideas to help us to further improve our service.

It would be amiss to not thank Elaine Reed, Sue Carstens and the EBW team for their support in 2017.

To all of you a Blessed Christmas, great birding and a well earned rest.

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Birding Plant of the Month

Knob Thorn (*Senegalia nigrescens*)

One hates to start your favourite trees with disclaimers – but this one requires space (>10m tall), and will not tolerate frost.

But if you want a cardinal woodpecker – this tree will prove a good start!! It is great for a number of birds and insects, and provides a really interesting scent.

The tree is slow growing, but it will make a statement in your garden. Perhaps ideal for those fortunate enough to have a weekend pad in the bushveld? (And for the rest of us, it is a bonsai option.)



Knob Thorn

Environmental Chirps

Kudos to Nature's Valley Trust! Apart from the great things they are doing for the birdlife (and other animals) in the estuary and region, (including really fun stuff like releasing penguins back into the wild), they are getting it right by managing to increase interest and awareness to a much wider audience. Even more encouraging is the involvement and education of children groups. Perhaps they have created an excellent model to emulate.

Bird of the Month

African Oystercatcher
(*Haematopus moquini*)

An absolutely easy choice! The "Bird of the Year" 2018 is a personal favourite!

I must admit that I have only ever seen this bird eating mussels, but "Musselcatcher" doesn't sound as appealing. When you get closer, you realise that they are a little bigger than you realised, and in a sense they really are larger than life, dominating your interest on our Cape shorelines. And they are spectacularly beautiful – to the extent that they are an attraction for foreign tourists. Now if only the government would learn from these birds and make the economy attractive to foreigners...



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Specials of the Month

Valid until 15 December 2017 or while stocks last. (All prices include VAT).

1): Suet Pop (300g)

Buy 4 and get one free!!

R120,00

2): Suet Pop Mega (600g)

Buy 4 and get one free!!

R200,00

3): 2 x 30 Mini Suet Ball

Bucket Special

R500,00

4): 3 x Suet Ball/Slab

Multipack 12 Special

R550,00

5): 100 x 100g Suet Mini Balls

Bulk Pack

R850,00

6): 50 x 200g Suet Balls

Bulk Pack

R840,00

7): 50 x 200g Suet Slabs

Bulk Pack

R825,00

Bon Mots

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will
toward men. (Luke 2:14)