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A young Southern Elephant Seal (*Mirounga leonina*) in South Georgia

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A Barred owl (Strix varia), photographed in Canada

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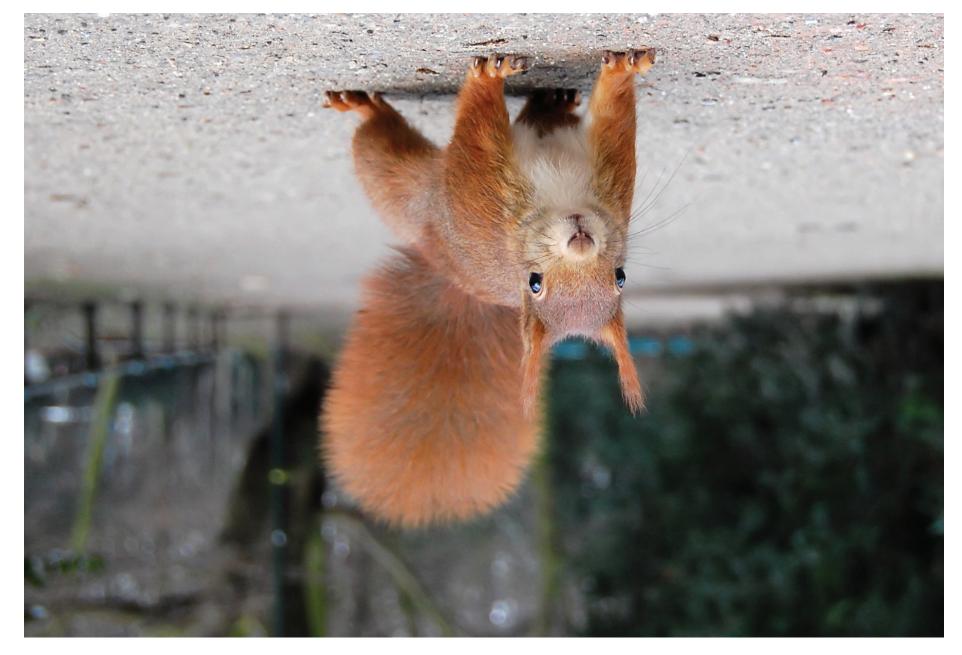
Red-eyed Tree Frog (*Agalychnis callidryas*), photographed near Playa Jaco in Costa Rica

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Red Squirrel with pronounced winter ear tufts in the Hofgarten in Düsseldorf, Germany

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Horses on Bianditz mountain, in Navarre, Spain. Behind them the Aiako mountains can be seen

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12 mm long Apis mellifera flying back to its hive carrying pollen in a pollen basket. Pictured in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on a private facility

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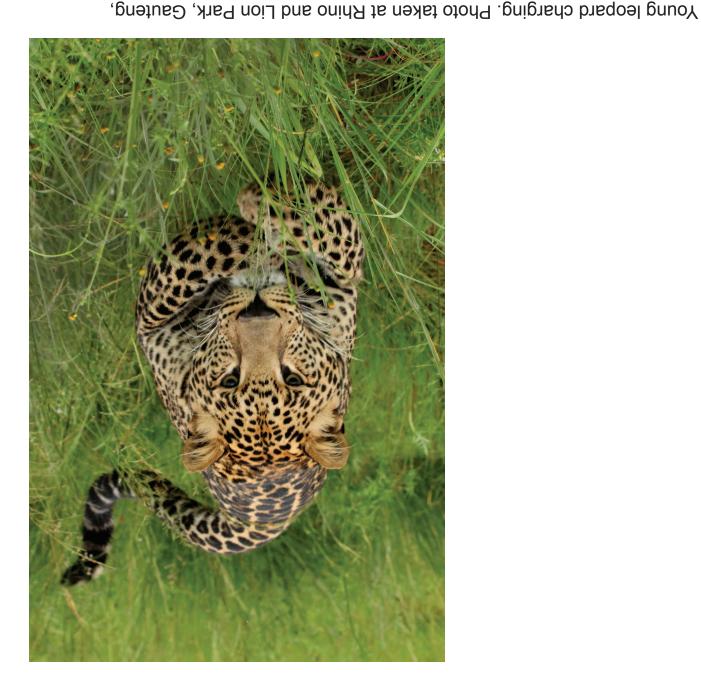
Portrait of the common wasp *Vespula vulgaris* depicting the characteristic head markings

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Male *Agama sinaita*, Jordan. This species is common in deserts around the shores of the Red Sea. While in heat, the male turns striking blue to attract females.

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Green turtle, Hawai'i, USA

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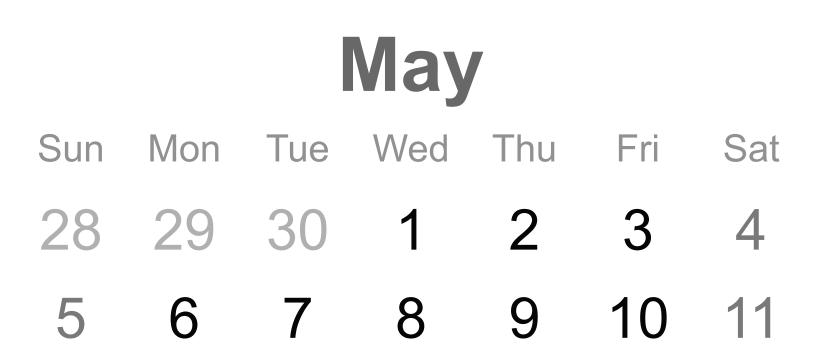
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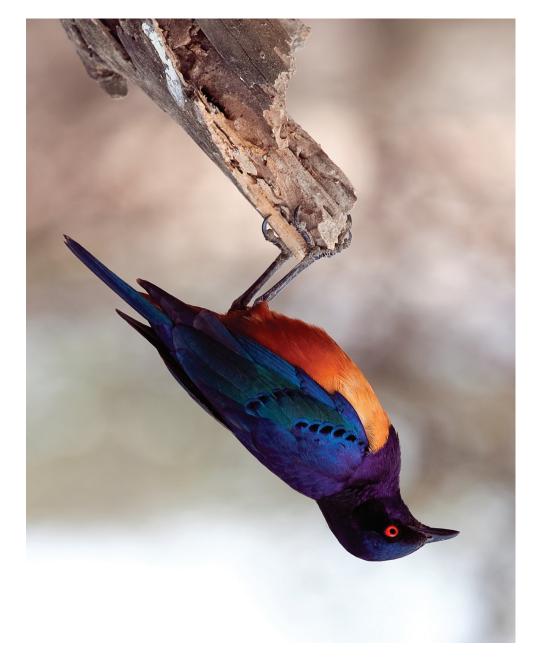
Red deer (Cervus elaphus), in Freyr forest, near Han-sur-Lesse, Belgium

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A Hildebrandt's Starling (Lamprotornis hildebrandti) in Tanzania

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