



Photo: Dominic North

David North (left) Martin Hayward Smith (right).

David North

David has a lifelong interest in wildlife and conservation. Following his geography degree at Durham University he taught English for two years in Sudan. Returning from Africa he completed a MSc. in ecology and then worked in wildlife conservation in Wales. He moved to Norfolk in 1988 and since then has worked for conservation charities including Pensthorpe Waterfowl Trust, National Trust and RSPB. He is currently education manager for the Norfolk Wildlife Trust.

He is author of *Wilderness Walks* (Larks Press 1993) and *The Natural and Unnatural History of Norfolk's Birds* (Blue Sky Publications 1993) and has regularly broadcast for local radio on conservation topics. He lives in North Norfolk with his wife Tasha, son Dominic and assorted dogs, cats, geese and hens.

Martin Hayward Smith

Locally born and bred, from an early age Martin learned to sail at Brancaster and explore the creeks and sandbars where his love of wildlife started. At the age of eight Martin was learning to develop and print film in his father's darkroom.

After five years in the Royal Navy, travelling the world with camera in hand he returned to England gaining a distinction in photography at Southport College of Art. It was then back to North Norfolk with an assignment to photograph wildlife at Pensthorpe Waterfowl Park.

A commission from Anglia Television followed with Martin subsequently joining their renowned *Survival* team as a wildlife cameraman. More recently Martin has worked for BBC television on Sir David Attenborough's *Life of Birds*, the award winning *Living Britain* series, the *Natural World* programmes, and series with Bill Oddie and Alan Titchmarsh.

When not filming or hanging out of helicopters, Martin can be found on his boat amongst the marshes, or with his daughter on the beach building sandcastles.

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Wildness is a quality in short supply in the modern world. The North Norfolk coast has this elusive quality in abundance. There is something about the open landscapes, the saltmarshes, sandflats, changing seascapes and huge skies that we respond to. This wilderness quality is precious and deserves to be celebrated, valued and protected.