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I am a great mimic

This one bird can actually imitate the calls of over 15-20 different birds, car horns and many other non-bird sounds. An insectivorous bird this racquet tailed drongo in flight appears to be chased by two bumble bees. It is a fearless bird with very acrobatic flight – it thus tends to attack larger birds like eagles, hawks, falcons and even crows – that venture near its nest.
I drink my food – not eat

Not many of us like spiders. But, their skills of building webs and the art of getting insects trapped is fascinating. In fact, they do not have mouths like us and can only drink fluids. So once an insect is caught, the spider injects venom into its body – this immobilises the insect and then dissolves the internal parts. The spider waits a little and then actually sucks up the juices.
Deers like Sambars do not raise their tails only to deficate. Instead it is the first sign that the deer is alert and has noticed some danger – generally a predator like leopard, wild dog, tiger – sometimes even a large snake. Also notice the ear lobes being turned to gather maximum sound. When the threat is very real, the deer starts stamping its front feet and eventually gives a loud ‘honk’ alarm call.
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I can surprise nature lovers with my foot prints

Animals like the sloth bear and monkeys have a special ability. They can actually stand on their rear feet like human beings, for which, their rear feet are differently designed. Thus unlike cats and dogs that have all four pug impressions almost similar – bears have flatter rear feet – similar to humans while the front feet leave marks similar to a tiger.
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Shit must be good

Shit is not always bad. Ask insects like dung roller beetels – which find a unique use of this smelly waste. They roll small pieces of fresh animal scat into round balls which are then pushed into a small hole into the ground. Here the female is then impressed to come and lay her eggs on. So when the larve are born from the eggs, they have food and also a safe home.
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Am I a cow or a buffalo?

This is an Indian Gaur. It is not a Bison that is found in America. Male Gours can weigh upto a thousand kilos. The male – though it looks black is not a buffalo. Instead, it is the largest member of the cow (bovine) family. Females and calfs are brown in colour. They have very interesting white socks like colour on the feet.
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Brain fever??? Looking for my loved one.

The common hawk cuckoo was referred to as the Brainfever bird by the Britishers – who probably were angered by its loud calling even at night. However, to the Indians– the loud call of this bird indicates that the dry season will end soon and the rains are not far behind. Thus we infact have very interesting names for this bird like Pavshya in Maharashtra and Papiha in MP.
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Story in a forest

One can become a jungle detective by observing the foot-prints of different animals – called pugmarks for cat and dog family members and hoof-marks for hard footed animals like cows and deer. The shape and size can help you identify the animal, its gender, the speed of its movement and even if it has a full stomach with food or even if it is pregnant. But this needs experience.
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I am a friendly ghost

The Indian Ghost tree or the Karaya Gum tree is very useful tree to the adivasis of Central India. They extract the gum from the stem of this tree. This gum is then sold in the market – where pharma companies buy it to use it as a medical laxative and also as a denture adhesive.
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I can read a news paper from top of the tree

Birds of prey have always been known to have very sharp eyesight. But to impress upon your tourists – it’s a good idea to mention that the eagle can read the headlines of your news-paper, while sitting on top of the tree. Basically from a height of 1000-2000 feet, they can locate their prey – small mammals, reptiles etc. They then swoop down to pounce on the prey.
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There would be no ramayan... but for me!!!

When most of the tourists are busy looking for the tiger, they miss out on other beautiful and interesting flora and fauna. Elegant spotted deer are almost missed out in the process. It would be nice to remind the tourists that if it were not for the spotted deer that lured Sita, the epic of Ramayana would not have happened at all.
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My wife has approved our home...

Baya Weaver birds build absolutely beautiful nests. No human can ever replicate it – despite having 2 hands and 10 fingers. However, interestingly, it is the male bird that starts building the nest – and the female comes for inspection. And she ensures stringent quality control and rejects many half built nests. After all her babies are going to be raised in this nest. Her approval finally is a signal that she is ready to accept him as a mate. They then together complete the nest.
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Where would we by if there were no bush/ poles/ boulders...
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Impressing a female has a bigggg cost
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