Curriculum vitae

Niels Dingemanse was born on march 13, 1974 in Tholen, The Netherlands. During the years of his secondary school he spend his time identifying birds, insects, and plants, as a member of a Dutch young naturalist club (NJN). He attended the Comenius College at Hilversum as a secondary school, where he finished his VWO exam in 1992. In the same year he started his biology degree at the Vrije Universiteit in Amsterdam. He moved to Groningen University in 1993, where he specialised in animal ecology and graduated *cum laude* in 1997. In the course of his study he performed three undergraduate projects. The first project was on parental correlates of offspring sex ratio in Eurasian Oystercatchers with Dik Heg (Groningen University). The second project was on resource competition in fruit-feeding butterflies in Uganda under supervision of Paul Brakefield (Leiden University). The third project was an experimental study on provisioning rules of parents and helpers in the Arabian babbler in Israel with Jon Wright (University of Wales, Bangor).

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