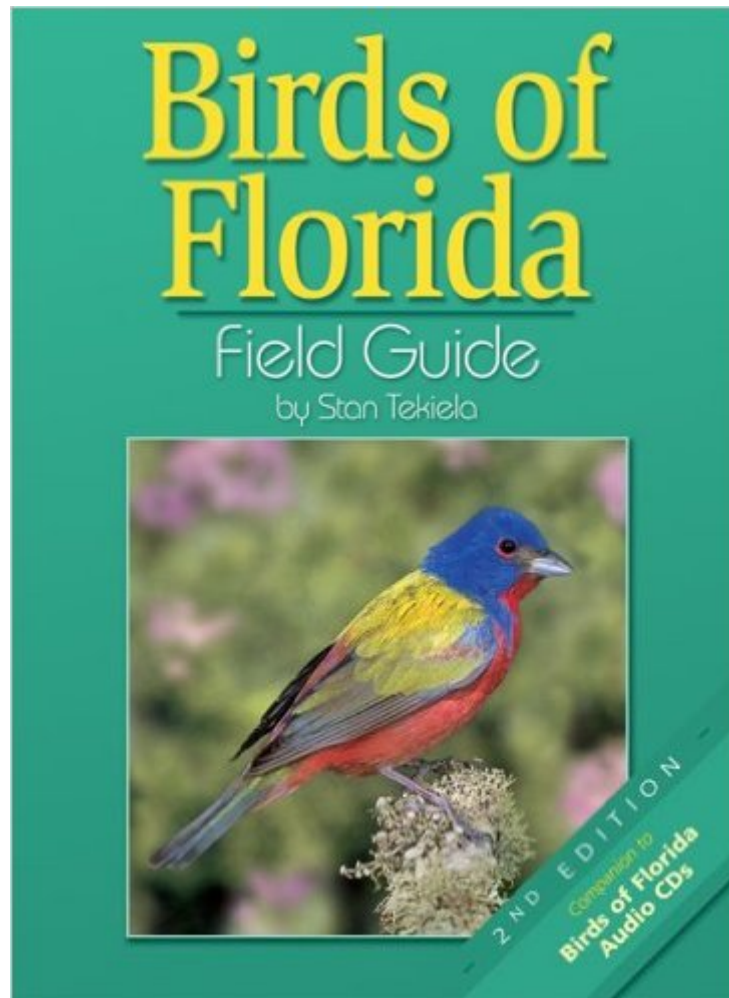


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Birds Of Florida Field Guide



Synopsis

Make bird watching in Florida even more enjoyable! With Stan Tekiela's famous field guide, bird identification is simple and informative. There's no need to look through dozens of photos of birds that don't live in Florida. This book features 140 species of Florida birds, organized by color for ease of use. Do you see a yellow bird and don't know what it is? Go to the yellow section to find out. Fact-filled information, a compare feature, range maps and detailed photographs help to ensure that you positively identify the birds that you see.

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Customer Reviews

My wife and I have recently retired and moved to Florida from the northern Ohio. As an avid and increasingly older outdoorsmen I decided that bird identification was another opportunity to enjoy the outdoors. The first problem I discovered was that Florida is swamp-deep in every kind of bird imaginable and many species look alike to my untrained eye. I needed an easily understandable book to help me begin identification and "Birds of Florida - Field Guide" filled the bill. Bird identification takes some work and the book breaks the process into easily understood parts starting with color. As an example, all birds that are mostly white are grouped together and each page in the white section presents a picture of each white species, a description of the unique features to look for confirming identity and a "compare" paragraph about very similar species, differences, and the page where the similar species can be found. In a short time this rank-amateur and old geezer was able to tell the difference between a Double-crested Cormorant and an Anhinga, a Snowy Egret and

a Great Egret, and how about that! This book is great and a companion audio CD is available to help identify bird calls if you can still hear.

I purchased this guide on a recommendation from an employee at a local bird fanciers store. I was skeptical if it would be useful at first, but now I cannot imagine birdwatching without it. I have always fed the birds but could only identify a few of the most well known species. With this little guide, I have been able to successfully identify every bird that has visited my feeder or fountain; even birds that I had never heard of that were migrating through my area! The photographs are full page and excellent and there is a written description to help further confirm that you have correctly identified your visitor. Not only that, but it tells you what time of year each species is in each area of Florida and what each bird likes to eat and its preferred habitat. I have actually used the book in reverse meaning that I have put out specific foods and habitat to attract species that I would like to see more. The guide contains more than just backyard birds. There are entries for shore birds and birds of prey that are seen in Florida. I am sure there are some rare birds that live in the woods that are not included, but every bird that I have ever seen I have been able to find quite easily in this book. For the added enjoyment of actually knowing which birds I am watching, I feel this guide is definitely worth buying and keeping handy.

Sure, it lacks a bit of detail that I would like about the birds. Sure some of the pictures do not seem to be that clear but shesh, this is field guide. This is small enough to carry with you and the color coding is awesome! If you are new to birding, like me, then get the book. You can always buy books that have every little detail about the bird. Use those books to study the bird before you go out. This is for when you are out and go "What bird was that?". It was almost all brown... so go to the brown section. I now have two of his books. Will get more as I go to that state.-Jeff[...]

I have used a copy of Birds of Michigan for several years. I'll be in Orlando and Jacksonville this year and so got this for my trip. Many birds that occur in Florida are, no doubt, not included but with several hundred documented species, it would be impossible to make a pocket guide like this with every potentially present bird. My ONLY complaint about this series is that some birds are hard to find because they have several dominant colors and you might have to look in two or three sections to find it. But that's easier than scanning through 200-300 pages in my Peterson guide.

I would give this book a 5 star rating because it's so quick and easy to look up a new bird when you

see one. I am a kindergarten teacher and I bought this guide to keep by the window in my classroom that is overlooking our bird feeder. The 5 and 6 year old children can identify a bird by its prominent color, then flip to the section in the guide of that same color and browse until they spot the bird in question. I liked the book so much that I bought another one to keep at home!

This is an excellent field guide. We live on a small lake and there are many additional ponds and lakes within walking distance of our home. Many different types of birds can be observed here year round. After a couple of tours in the everglades piqued our interest in being able to identify what we were seeing, we wanted an easy-to-use identification guide. We are not professional birders; just casual observers. This guide is perfect. It is small and easy to carry with you. There is a full page, full color picture of each bird, and the birds are organized in sections by color. Within those sections, they are organized by general body type and appearance. It is very easy to flip through the pages and quickly find what you are looking for. Another nice feature is the "compare" entry for each bird. It explains the differences between the subject bird and similar looking birds, and even references the page number in the guide where you can check the similar looking birds. This guide is exactly what we were looking for.

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