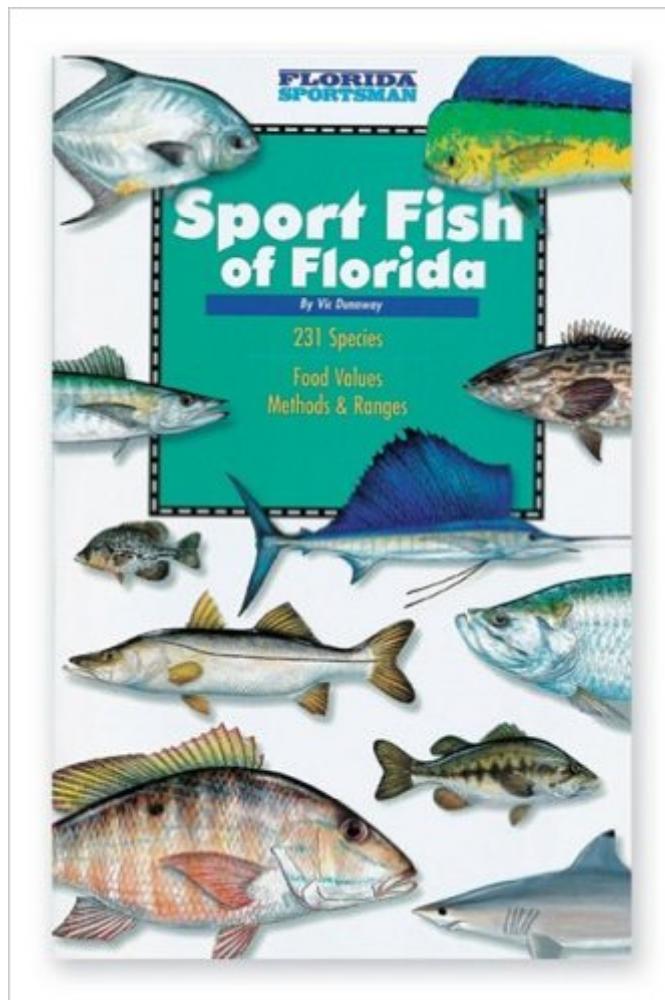


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# Florida Sportsman Sport Fish Of Florida Book



## Synopsis

This handy book features 231 species, all illustrated in full color. Also included for each fish are detailed ranges, habitats, game quality, food quality and record sizes.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a must have for any fisherman, novice or experienced. It is an informative guide that is well categorized for quick and comprehensive reference. I am on my third copy because, unfortunately, the volume is not made for use on the water. The binding and pages disintegrate in the humid water environment. Otherwise, I would give it five stars. Don't even get it Wet--it dries into an impenetrable mass. My suggestion to the author is to have two volumes available. One for the home bookshelf, and one made with damp/water resistant pages (possibly spiral-bound) for on the water use. I believe that any serious angler would pay extra for this as it is an invaluable resource.

I used to live on the Gulf Coast, and I still go down to fish whenever possible. I looked quite a while for a good identification guide and was extremely pleased to finally find this book. It has everything you need, from clear illustrations (kudos to artist Kevin Brant on an outstanding job) to well-organized, complete information. You get expert knowledge on common sizes, common names, food value, and game qualities. In addition, the book provides range and habitat information for the fish and explains the best ways to go after them. Thanks to Vic Dunaway and Florida Sportsman for this long-needed reference that no fisherman should be without.

The content of this book is outstanding. Everything you need to know about identifying what you have pulled up. The problem is the binding. It is not assembled well. The book started to fall apart almost right away. Forget putting it in your tacklebox. The pages will blow away. Too bad, because it really is a very very informative book.

Don't know what the problem is others are having with their editions, mine's held up just fine. Of course, I leave mine on board when I dive in to spearfish, and I tend to avoid submerging it when I stay on to drop a line in the water, but even when some water has hit it, it's stayed fine. No problem. That's going on quite some time too. That said, this is an outstanding resource. You simply cannot do wrong by getting ANY book Vic has done. I have grown up with his books, and still have his Pacific, Gulf, Fresh Water and Bait, Rigs and Tackle books in my library. They are absolutely invaluable and provide the best source of downright no-nonsense information I've ever found, this side of my father and grandfather. Do yourselves a favor and get this without hesitation. It gets no better than these.

This book is an awesome guide for those who fish these waters. I just got back from a week of fishing in the Bahamas and the book was invaluable. My partner and I were able to make quick assessments on the food quality of the variety of fish we caught. We threw back the ones that were dangerous or bad for a meal. The upshot is we fed a lot of happy folks while avoiding the perils of ciguatera. Can not recommend this book enough....wish there was one just like it for California.

If you have anyone in your life you are thinking of getting interested in Florida fishing ... don't be without this book. My fiance is new to fishing and it gives her a great sense of belonging and pride to be able to identify different species of fish as she pulls them in. No more.. oh what did I catch now? .. now its' "look I just caught a blue runner" or "look another sand perch". We are estatic about Sport Fish of Florida. Also, kudos to "Baits, Rigs & Tackle" and "2000 Fishing Planner".

I recently spent 7 days on a boat in the FL keys. We basically fished from dusk till dawn. Though I am an experienced fisher-woman, I can only claim to be experienced in fresh water fishing. I am not from Florida and this was my very first time ever fishing in saltwater! I ordered this book so I can have an idea of what fish I may catch, the bait, eating quality, and habitat. Within these 7 days, my husband I caught 36 different species of fish!!! All of which I instantly threw in my live well, then yanked this book out to figure out what type it is while the fish was recovering in the live well, then

took a picture and set it free! I absolutely loved the fact that I had this book with me and had instant knowledge about these type of fish! I can only recommend anyone to get this book and have it with you at all times. Even though I kept this book as much as possible in a zip lock bag, it did get soaked quite a few times! and the cover was the first thing to tear off. So the ONLY and single reason why I did not give a full 5 stars is because it is just not fit for the rough sea. I understand that the production cost of this book would be much higher if produced in a water resistant way, but I bet with you that ANYONE who ever owned this book, would have no problems spending the extra \$\$!

I fish a lot with my kid both in the ocean (near shore and inshore) and we also go for fresh water fishing . The short and concise description (1 page per fish ) are easy to read, just enough info and the drawings of the fish are very good and in Color, not like many other books that are in black and white. I like a lot the "Food Value" comment for each type of fish.

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