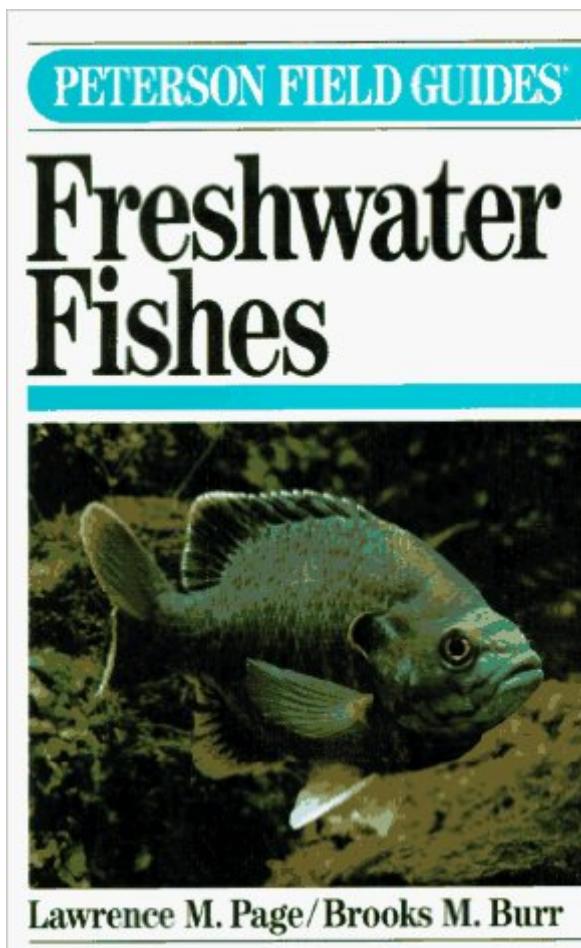


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It might interest the reader of this review (since your looking at the book) to know that while fresh water only represents about 1% of the available aquatic habitat on earth over half of the known species of fish live in it. I'll leave it up to you to find out why. Peterson Field Guides have a winning formula, find an expert, set them up with a good illustrator and see what comes out. This book finishes the trio that covers all of the fishes likely to be encountered by a North American fisherman, diver or naturalist. Like the Fishes of the Atlantic Coast and the Fishes of the Pacific Coast it is well organized, well written, all inclusive (of species) and as informative as space will allow. If you are curious about fishes in general or encounter fresh water fish with any kind of regularity you owe it to yourself to find out what they are. And, if you live in North America you should have this book.

This volume by Page and Burr is the definitive guide to freshwater fishes of North America, written by two leading ichthyologists. The illustrations are excellent, the distribution maps are useful, and the data are precise. If you're looking for a fieldguide to freshwater fishes, buy this one before any

other.

It is by far the best field guide for freshwater fishes in North America. Each description of the fish are accurate and the plate drawings are great.

This book has informed me on the many fishes I catch ranging from California to New York. Every year when I go down to Arkansas I always bring it with me on my fishing journeys so that I know what I am catching. It has over 700 illustrations and over 300 maps. In all of my searching for book this has been the most helpful book I have used. I recommend buying it for yourself. It will help you a lot.

Great book with lots of pictures of species. I hoped that there would be photos for EACH species of fish but there was not. Each fish is documented though even if there is no picture for each. Many species are shown. I still have to give it 5 stars. This book is a great size too. It is not oversized. Perfect for travel.

Do not expect more than ID from the book. It is excellent at ID but that is all you will get for sure. I bought it for ID and it serves the purpose very well. One must also question the range maps since as explained in the text of the book they are compromised.

I perform wildlife surveys for corporations all over the east coast. Half the weight of my equipment is Peterson Field Guides, which give me quick and easy identification of flora and fauna found and often eliminates the need for dichotomous keys and microscope work. This particular guide has helped me puzzle out a lot of small fish I come across. Well written, excellent illustrations, an important part of my library.

After a recent dive trip to Florida springs I needed a field guide to help me identify some of the fishes I saw. This book did the job. It appears to be very complete, which is what I needed.

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