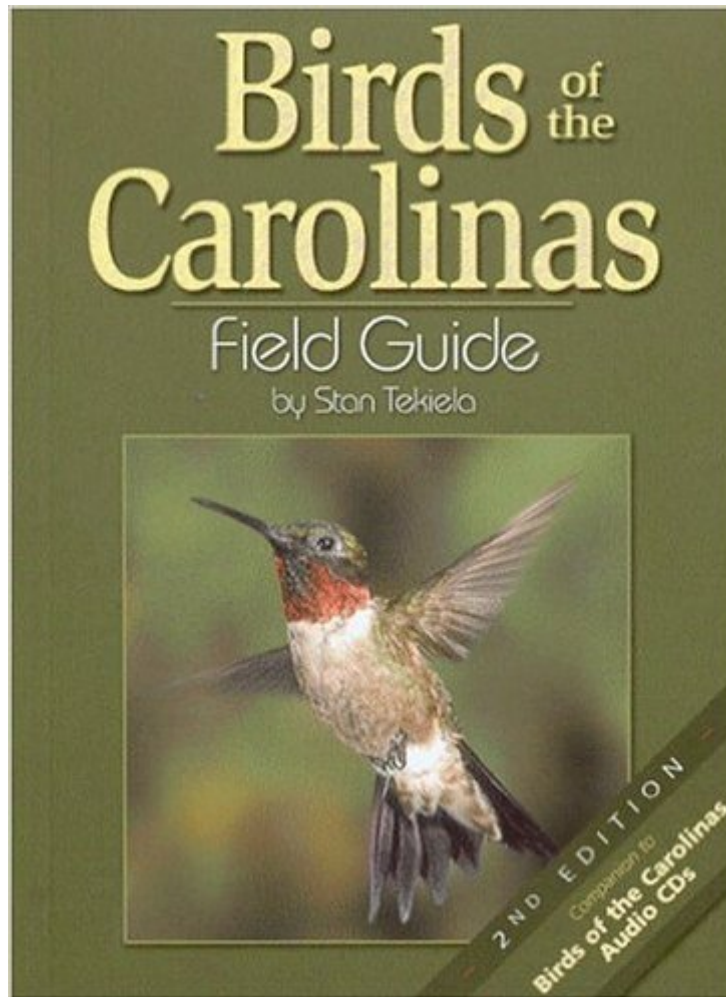


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Birds Of The Carolinas Field Guide, Second Edition: Companion To Birds Of The Carolinas Audio CDs



Synopsis

Make bird watching in North Carolina and South Carolina 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 the Carolinas. This book features 140 species of Carolina 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

Having just started bird watching as a hobby, I found the 'Birds of the Carolinas Field Guide' to be my most used birding book. While birding in North/South Carolina why thumb through a book of all North American birds? This book has the birds of the Carolinas sectioned by color making identification easier. The photos are clear with helpful text to help with identification. I also bought the companion CDs with the sounds of the birds as well. Though the CDs are great reference (and I will undoubtedly use them more as I learn more about birds), this book is where I spend much of my time.

I have always been frustrated by bird books -- either I can't locate anything that resembles the feathered creature in front of me, or I identify the perfect match ... only to discover that the bird I claim to have seen has never been spotted within a thousand miles of my locale. Stan Tekiela's

book takes care of everything: The title says it all! There's no way you can foolishly identify the rare Didgerywhatsit, which nests only in the Rocky Mountains -- if the bird isn't found here in the Carolinas, it's not within these pages; The photographs actually look just like the real, live birds (why haven't others managed this??); and It is organized by colour, so it is as easy to identify the relatively drab females as it is the showier males. We have had enormous fun with this little volume, and can't recommend it too highly.

We have two dozen field guides and identifiers for birds - this one book is faster than all the rest to identify what is at our feeder, on the trail or along the road. It almost seems too simple - why don't all the other guides we have go by ... color ... seems too simple right? D'oh. I almost feel like I'm cheating when I use this book - other books seem too snobberish - read: if you are a **real** birder, use our complete guide. Find a bird, lookup the color or color combination, look through 10 pages and presto - identified. How hard can that be? If you could only get one birding book ... get this one. Or, in my case, if I only have room to pack one book, I always pack this one. Side-note: The companion CDs are great too, and they match the pages up nicely to the book, but frankly I can't identify by ear - maybe I'm tone deaf ... but they are nicely arranged discs. My wife likes them more.

This is an excellent field guide to the common birds of North and South Carolina for the beginning birder or even someone who just enjoys watching the birds that come to their feeder. The guide places each of the birds into a section based on its plumage. Each set of facing pages has a photo of the bird, a map of where and when it might be found, as well as some basic facts about the bird. One of the most important features of each bird's description is the section on similar looking birds, which allows you to accurately determine which bird you are looking at. The author has even placed birds whose sexes differ onto separate pages within the appropriate color sections. The book ends with a checklist/index which allows you to keep track of the birds you've seen. Give the kids this book, a pair of binoculars and point out the checklist and they'll be busy for hours!!!

This book is perfect for rookies. The color coded tabs helped me to quickly look up the bird's that were clustering at my new feeder. I just wanted to know a little bit about each species to better enjoy them. I now keep this the book near my window, so that I can identify all types of birds that flock in and around my yard. This book is most definitely a great investment. (I love the compact size)

Birds of the Carolinas and the companion CD have been without a doubt the best field guide we

have purchased. I refer to it on a regular basis and find the new color coded format extremely easy to use. It is well worth purchasing even if you have several other guides!!

This book is absolutely perfect. I recently installed several bird feeders and wanted to learn more about the birds visiting my yard. This book was EXACTLY what I wanted. First, it is excellently organized for identifying the birds you see. It is organized by appearance: "Birds that are mostly grey. Birds that are mostly blue. Birds that are mostly brown. Birds that have prominent red areas" etc. so that when you see a bird, all you need to remember is its general appearance to quickly find it. I have identified 17 species in my yard, and each time it only took me a couple of minutes to find it in the book. Second, the book has a very concise and interesting little bio on every bird. It lists the regions they are found in, their physical and behavioral characteristics, and then has interesting little facts about every bird. I can't even imagine a better book for someone getting interest in bird watching.

This book is beautifully done with true to life images, in color and on every page. The text is short, informative and just what you need...not too much or too little. We did not purchase the companion CD yet but plan too. This book will be our go-to book for sure.

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