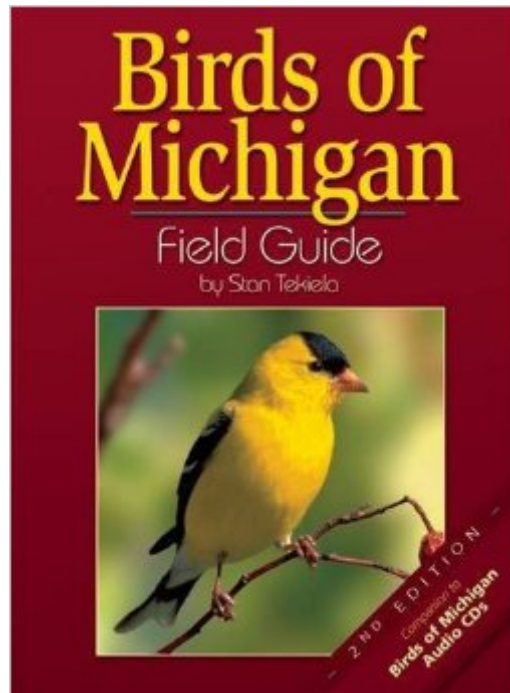


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# Birds Of Michigan Field Guide (Bird Identification Guides)



## Synopsis

Make bird watching in Michigan 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 Michigan. This book features 112 species of Michigan 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

The second edition of "Birds of Michigan Field Guide" has a two-CD set (sold separately) called "Birds of Michigan Audio CD Set." It is designed as a companion to this book. The calls are in the same order as in the book, and I strongly recommend that you purchase both the audio and the field guide. Stan Tekiela's classification scheme by color makes perfect sense for his book, but is a bit confusing for the CDs, especially if you can hear the unknown bird but have not yet sighted it. Another minor complaint is that not all Michigan birds are represented in this field book. Among the missing are the Vireos (Red-eyed and Yellow-throated), swamp sparrow, and Michigan's most common thrushes (Wood Thrush, Veery, and Hermit Thrush). And where are the name-sayers such as the Whip-poor-will, Chuck-will's-widow, or the Eastern Wood-Pewee? The real reason you want to buy this book, along with the more standard Sibley's or Peterson's guides is a feature called "Stan's Notes." Some of my favorite tidbits include: \* Female Goldeneyes will lay their eggs in other

Goldeneye nests, leaving some poor females with up to 30 eggs to brood.\* Blue Jay feathers don't have any blue pigment. The feather structure refracts sunlight which we see as blue.\* House Sparrows are not really sparrows but belong to the Weaver Finch family.\* Barred Owls are one of the few owls to take fish out of a lake. They are also one of the few owls that hunt during the day.\* The Tufted Titmouse is notorious for pulling hair from sleeping dogs, cats and squirrels to line its nest. The photographs of male and female birds are very clear and representative of the species.

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