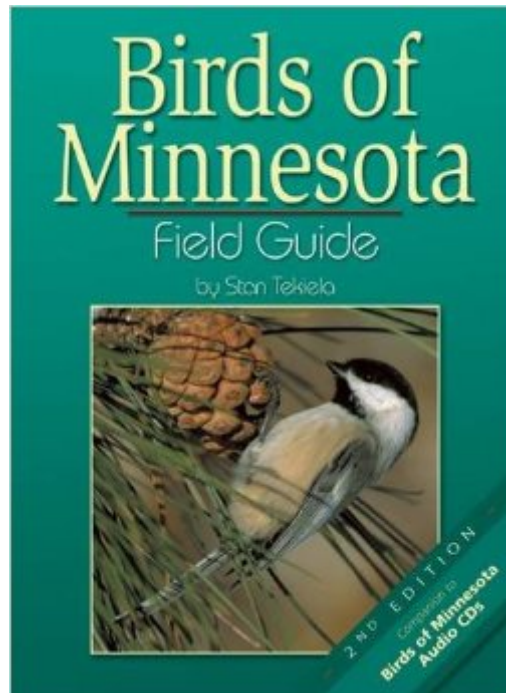


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Birds Of Minnesota Field Guide, Second Edition



Synopsis

Make bird watching in Minnesota even more enjoyable! With this 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 Minnesota. This book features 111 species of Minnesota 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

This book and all the other "Birds of (state)" guides by Stan Tekiela seem to bring out the worst in experienced birders. While I am a beginner at birding, this dislike of Tekiela's guides is somewhat understandable. To experienced birders, a bird guide in which the birds are listed by color, not taxonomy, is bordering on criminal. Many of those birders seem to have forgotten that they were once novices and likely confused sparrows with wrens or finches. A beginning birder is likely to be overwhelmed by all the birds listed in a Sibley Guide, Kaufmann Focus Guide, or even a Peterson Guide. What better for a beginner than a book that lists the 100+ most common birds in their state in order of color. You see a brown bird with a small beak and a light yellow chest, you flip to the brown birds and only have to browse through 40 or so birds to try and find what you saw. Easy. After a few months, you'll begin to recognize sparrows, finches, warblers for what they are (maybe not the exact species) and will want a more advanced book. This book is the best at what it is. A guide for

beginning birders or people who only look at birds out in their backyard feeders. Don't compare it to the Sibley, Kaufmann, etc....Highly Recommended!

I just moved to a townhouse that has a plethora of birds feeding off bush berries and feeders. Am enjoying starting to watch them. I know next to nothing about birds...only could ID the Robin, Cardinal and Blue Jay. There are many others that I didn't have a clue about. I like the fact that you can look up the birds by color. Easy to find and ID via this method. Also gets you curious about the other birds you are passing by....have been reading up on all of them. Great book for a beginner like myself.

This little book is a very good value for the money. It doesn't contain all the birds of Minnesota but it contains most. I think the color pictures of both male and female of each species are excellent!

My father has the paperback issue and likes it so I downloaded the digital version. The layout is clumsy and formatted too small for the devices for which it was designed. I don't have fat fingers yet when I'm trying to navigate the selectable features of this book it makes me feel that I do. Go paperback if you want it (though I'd recommend a Sibley's Bird Guide); it's easier to finger through and more travel-friendly.

I love the paperback version but the Kindle copy is not compatible with my Mac and there is less information than you see in the paperback book. The digital copy only shows 4 birds that are primarily blue which leaves out common birds such as bluebird and blue jay. Perhaps it has different info on Kindle but my iPad displayed significantly less information than the paperback version.

Bought for my 8 and 10 year old daughters who are newly interested in bird-watching. This is the perfect bird book for beginners who only know how to look up by color. I'm sure I'll be buying a book organized by kind down the road, but this is exactly what they needed.

This is a great book! I got it for my dad as a Christmas gift and he loved it. The beginning categorizes birds by color which I thought was really cool when it comes to identifying a bird you don't recognize. Very cool and nice photos with factual information on each bird inside.

This is a great bird guide for the new birder or the casual observer. Unlike many other identification

guides, which rely on your previous knowledge of bird species, this bird starts the identification process the way "normal" people do: By color. "Oh I saw this cool green bird!" your friend might say to you, well, turn to the green bird section and start flipping through. Another thing that I like about this field guide are the photographs. They show the male and female of the birds, but not always what it looks like in flight, which is a definite drawback. What makes this book great for the beginner also makes it less useful for a more avid birder. There is less information, and generally birds are photographed in stationary positions i.e. not flying.

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