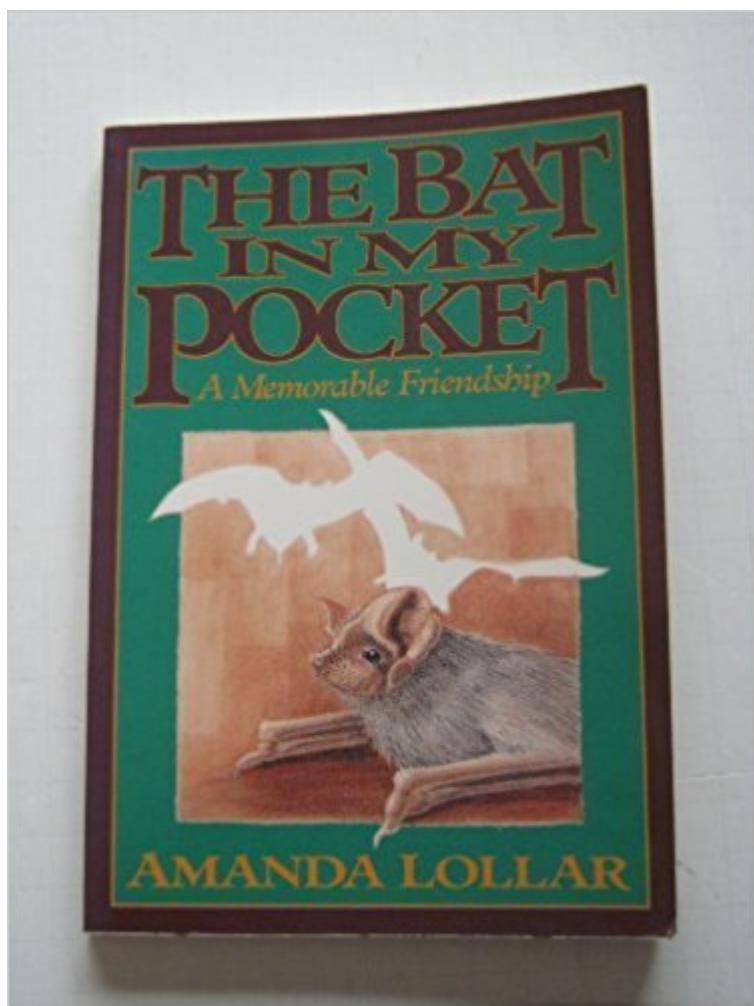


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# The Bat In My Pocket: A Memorable Friendship



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## **Customer Reviews**

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What a precious book! Through a wonderful personal encounter with a bat several years ago and already being aware of how vital bats are in nature, I was ready to love this highly recommended book before reading it. Having just finished it, with a tear in my eye, I must share that author Amanda Lollar opened my heart to bats beyond what I expected. Learning about her rescued bats, Sunshine above all, but also Squirm and BB, was an eye and heart opening education on this remarkable and adorable mammal, how very smart they are, how expressive their individual faces are, the amazing affection and other emotions they display so similar to humans. As I read the book, I developed much respect and affection for the author, her kindness, compassion, patience and devotion to being present and loving to her precious bats and for educating me so that I love bats even more. As a devoted animal/wildlife lover and defender, I am now motivated to look for opportunities to help bats. Thank you Amanda, thank you Sunshine.

The Bat in My Pocket is written succinctly, reads well, and leaves the reader with not only the story

of how a tiny injured bat changed the course of this woman's life, but also is generous with the knowledge and insight about the behavior and mindset of the female Mexican Freetail bats who are the stars of the story. This book is a vivid testimony to the character of the "Bat Lady" who founded Bat World Sanctuary in Mineral Wells, Texas, and who has gone on to become an ambassador and champion of bats around the world, as well as a go-to person for organizations and/or individuals concerned with bat welfare and stewardship, with saving and raising orphans, and creating enriched environments for non-releasable bats. This book is a wonderful read, and would be a great gift or reading list recommend for teens or adults. Amanda's writing style is informal and straightforward; thus, the reader is allowed to step immediately into the relationship she describes (with such love and intimacy) about the two years she lived with tiny crippled Sunshine, and how the experience changed her life story with such profundity.

A few months ago I saw a video of an injured fruit bat being cared for in Australia and this piqued my curiosity about bats. This in turn led me to Bat World Sanctuary (BWS) in Texas. Amanda Lollar, the founder of BWS, encountered an injured Mexican Free-tail Bat on the sidewalk in 1989 and nursed her back to health, though she could not be released back to the wild. Along the way she discovered how intelligent, social, and affectionate bats are, and became their life-long advocate. This book is very well-written and an easy read. She describes how Sunshine (the bat) became a loved and respected friend, and she skillfully weaves information about bats into the storyline. I recommend this for all ages. After reading it, I feel we should stop telling children about "the birds and the bees" and start telling them about "the bird and the bees and the bats!"

Great book!!!!!! The only thing is that it doesn't have the pictures of some of the bats in the back. Great copy of book, good seller. Just will ask from now on, if it's a copy with or without pics in back. This book is such a great gift for nature lovers!

I read this book many years ago when it first came out. I loved it. I gave it to my grandson. He loved it too. Great read!

I read this book about 15 years ago, when I purchased it at the gift shop at Carlsbad Caverns (I think); am now looking it up for my 8-year-old son to read. It can be a little intense emotionally, so the age at which a child can listen to it or read it independently will vary. (I blubbered more than

once myself) But I think it's incredibly worthwhile for three reasons: a) it's candid and honestly tender, and clearly shows how the author and her bats connect with one another; b) the reader learns much about the biology and behavior of bats...an uncommon subject c) it's got the elements of any good human-animal story: the development of trust, the refinement of communication, wonder, funny parts, love, grief.

The book arrived quickly and in the described condition. I love this story. It is chuck full of information on bats, info that I never knew before AND also misconceptions are corrected. I recommend this seller and this lovely, lovely book.

Really enjoyed reading this book. Lots of interesting facts about bats. Easy to read. Almost made me want to find a bat and nurse it back to health!

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