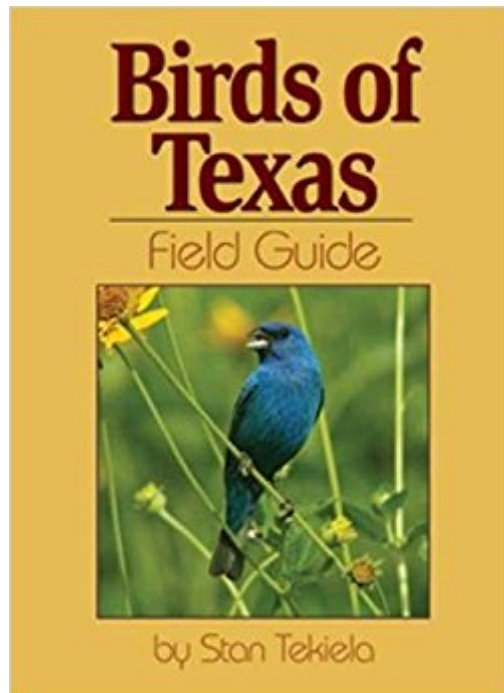




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Birds Of Texas Field Guide (Bird Identification Guides)



Synopsis

Make bird watching in Texas 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 Texas. This book features 170 species of Texas 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

Naturalist, wildlife photographer and writer Stan Tekiela is the author of more than 175 field guides, nature books, children's books, wildlife audio CDs, puzzles and playing cards, presenting many species of birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, trees, wildflowers and cacti in the United States. With a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural History from the University of Minnesota and as an active professional naturalist for more than 25 years, Stan studies and photographs wildlife throughout the United States and Canada. He has received various national and regional awards for his books and photographs. Also a well-known columnist and radio personality, his syndicated column appears in more than 25 newspapers and his wildlife programs are broadcast on a number of Midwest radio stations. Stan can be followed on Facebook and Twitter. He can be contacted via www.naturesmart.com.

I really love this book. I've had this book a few months now. I'm not an avid birdwatcher. But I own a pair of binoculars and this book. I usually just spot birds through my kitchen window that are out in my backyard. I believe that makes me an urban birdwatcher. Anyhow, since I didn't know much about the birds I was looking at this was the perfect book because it categorizes them by color. So you just go to the section of blue birds, or yellow birds, or red birds, and go through the pics in the category until you identify your bird. The images are great quality photographs with very many at close range. It shows you what the male, female, and juvenile look like. The book provides you with details the name, and details pertaining to the bird. And I really appreciate that this book is specific to my area. I tab the pages of birds I've seen and it's a great activity to do with your little ones. I would highly recommend this book. I'm truly happy that this book exists.

Great for kids or anyone who doesn't already know what the bird is named-- it's organized by the birds' dominant color scheme. My eight year old is in hog heaven, and my husband and I were able to actually find out what a bird was without paging through the whole dang book!

Easy id by color when the pages are fanned, confirmed by beautiful color photos of the male & female of the species. Has a brief description of the bird's description, habitat, habits, behaviors, and other details, with a small map illustrating seasonal migratory patterns within the state. (It's missing audio of each bird's call however. :) Convenient, easy to carry size approximately 4.5"x5"x6". Quality glossy stock paper. This book is an easy winner for novices, or more experienced bird watchers, at a very reasonable price. The person who received it as a gift immediately considered buying the associated field guide to Texas trees.

If you have any of Stan's guides, and then buy another one, you learn really quickly that they are all very very similar. I have one for California. Then I got one for Texas. BUT he really only shows the most common birds, which is a drawback to anyone past their first year of serious birding. I'd say that 80% of the birds in the California Guide were in the Texas guide. So I didn't really gain anything worth buying. It had the same birds, but none of the exciting ones I was actually going to Texas to find the NEW birds that can't be found in California. So I am stuck with a guide full of Bluebirds, pelicans, and ducks that I already have in my CA book. If you own "Birds of Southeastern Arizona" by Richard Cachor Taylor, you'll see that his guide is similar too, but he adds a cool feature that shows you where you will likely FIND those birds (he actually names

the places (not just giving the habitat). So Taylor's guide offers more. I wish Stan would add that feature. Taylor has taken the small guide to the next level. Bottom line, if you own one, you probably own enough, unless you put enough geographic territory between the two guidebooks (California and Florida for example). Bird on.

As a novice I find this book extremely helpful. The size is 4.5" x 6" so it is lightweight and easy to handle. The birds are arranged by color group and are duplicated where multiple colors exist, which is awesome. The pages show a photo of the bird on the left (even #) pages and give their descriptions on the right (odd #) pages. And there is a small Texas State symbol at the top of each description page that shows you if they are year-round Texas dwellers and in which parts of the State or if they are migratory, and where they typically visit. This is really neat!

I'm a beginner as a birdwatcher and this book seems to be a good one to start! So far I've been able to identify most of the birds I've seen at a lake near my house. I like that it even tells you the page a similar bird is in case you need to compare to be sure if you have found the right one in your book. It also comes with a list to be checked at the end of the book so you can keep track of the birds you've seen. It comes with full page photos and information about the birds, it also includes pictures of the female and juvenile birds in case they are different. Overall, I believe this is a great book, specially if you're a new birdwatcher.

Bought for my granddaughter and she loved it ...

love the book, very educational. I wanted it as a guideline for water color of birds. Thank you. NB

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