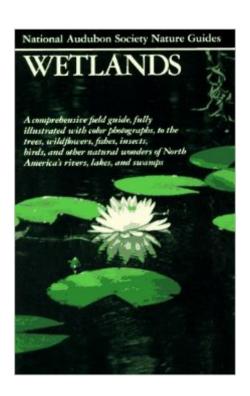
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Synopsis

A comprehensive field guide, fully illustrated with color photographs, to the trees, wildflowers, fishes, insects, birds, and other natural wonders of North America's rivers, lakes, and swamps.

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Customer Reviews

This is the 3rd book in the "Audubon Society Nature Guides" series that I've purchased, and they continue to be a pleasure to read and use. For anyone who lives near, will be travelling to, or has a general interest in Wetlands, this book is an essential. Not only is it beautifully illustrated and easy to use, but it's also a great general guide to Wetlands in the US. I am in the Chicagoland region, and almost all of the book applies to our area. Highly reccomeded for anyone from the novice to Wetland professional.

Great book for anyone interested in these complex, precious environments. Covers everything from trees to fish in cross referenced sections with visual index, good color pix, and detailed info--plus a solid 134 page intro/overview of wetlands ecosystems. Not a pocket guide, but easily back packable

After "capturing" a hatchling turtle, my great-granddaughter renewed my interest in the wild area around us. (I was a bio teacher once.) This book is one of her favorites -- and she's 5 years old. Together we loo at and talk about trees and bugs and critters. Alone, I refresh my memory. Good info and photos-- and well-organized. Small enough to tag a;long on hikes, too.

The book arrived timely and is used and inexpensive but fully adequate to read and study. It's too large for a pocket book unless you want to carry it in a bag or knapsack, which I may do. The are pages of color photographs and location maps of plants and animal species are great. However, unlike some guides, if you want to read more any more about each specie, you have to go to another part of the book.

This book was recommended to me by a nature guide at a cranberry bog. It has photos of many wetland plants, but I feel the photos could be clearer. I don't know if it's the printing, or the photography, but the pictures should be supplemented with drawing or photos from different perspectives. I think I'd lend this book to a person before recommending it to see if they found it useful. I haven't referred to it in over a year so it's not a book I just like to look through.

The Audubon Society made some unusual choices with the series format, dividing the books into a full color section tied to a black and white section describing each plant and animal corresponding to the color photos. An extensive text section is placed at the beginning, describing the environment and ecology, and the roles of particularly important plants and animals. Unfortunately, writers are given great latitude as to style, and the author of this book's section tends to be pedantic in a juvenile way and self-advertising, with unwarranted advice, for example, on where to put your feet, crossing a bog! In the other books of the series, I've highlighted that section heavily. Here, I haven't bothered

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