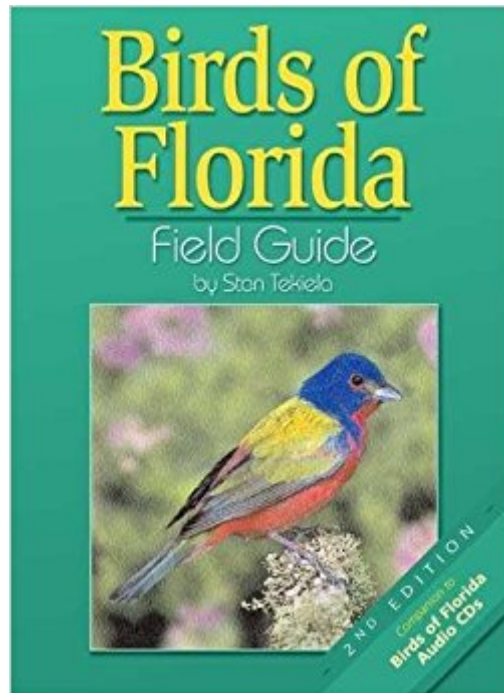




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# Birds Of Florida Field Guide



## Synopsis

Make bird watching in Florida 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 Florida. This book features 140 species of Florida 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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Birds' great field BOOK By NINA GILFERT Daily Commercial Staff Writer Stan Tekiela, a naturalist and author, columnist and radio personality has put together a great little field guide called Birds of Florida. If you are a bird watcher you should have this book. The "Birds of Florida" field guide is a small book, about 4 1/2" by 6," just the right size to slip in the pocket of your jeans. Every page has beautiful, full- color photographs of Florida birds, There are 140 species of only Florida birds in this little book It contains an easy to use color guide so-thit- if you see a yellow bird you just go to the yellow-bird section to identify it. Bird Watching is the largest spectator sport in America. This little field guide will help you identify and learn about most any bird you happen to see in the state. More than 480 different species have been, recorded in Florida. Tekiela has included the species most commonly seen. Florida is one of the best places in the country to observe birds. The weather and

water are the main things that attract so many birds to this state. The book also includes tips on bird watching, how to identify different birds, what to look for to tell one bird from another. It contains information on birds habits, nest building and range maps. It gives the novice information on bird basics, the parts of a bird that will-help you identify them. Whether your a beginrier, a bird-watcher wanna-be, or simply curious about some pesky bird that is showing up in your back yard, you will enjoy this book. The photographs are all of live birds, except the female indigo bunting so they are authentic. Stan Tekiela writes a syndicated nature column and appears on a syndicated nature radio show. He has authored other books, including "Nature Smart," "Start Mushrooming" and "Plantworks." "Birds of Florida" was published by Adventure Publications of Cambridge, MN. It is available in local bookstores, gift stores or directly throug, hAdventure Publications for \$14.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling at 820 Cleveland St S, Cambridge, MN 55008 or call toll free (800) 678 7006.--GILFERT NINA "Daily Commerical" (08/01/2001)

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My wife and I have recently retired and moved to Florida from the northern Ohio. As an avid and increasingly older outdoorsmen I decided that bird identification was another opportunity to enjoy the outdoors. The first problem I discovered was that Florida is swamp-deep in every kind of bird imaginable and many species look alike to my untrained eye. I needed an easily understandable book to help me begin identification and "Birds of Florida - Field Guide" filled the bill. Bird identification takes some work and the book breaks the process into easily understood parts starting with color. As an example, all birds that are mostly white are grouped together and each page in the white section presents a picture of each white species, a description of the unique features to look for confirming identity and a "compare" paragraph about very similar species, differences, and the

page where the similar species can be found. In a short time this rank-amateur and old geezer was able to tell the difference between a Double-crested Cormorant and an Anhinga, a Snowy Egret and a Great Egret, and how about that! This book is great and a companion audio CD is available to help identify bird calls if you can still hear.

EXCELLENT bird book! I cannot say enough good things about this book. This handy little book gives more information than you would expect. Tons of information. Shows nice colored pictures of males, females and juveniles. Color coding on side of pages is a great reference and speeds identification. Whatever color bird you see, just look to the color coding on the outside of the pages. Nice pictures and convenient size. We were nicely surprised to see all the information provided in this book. So even if you are not a "bird watcher", you will be after purchasing this book!

I'm not a bird watching hobbyist but we moved to Florida a couple years ago from up north and found all the different types of birds that live here very interesting. We live along a river that flows into Tampa Bay. We see many birds daily, especially hanging out on our boat dock. I also homeschool my 7 year old son, who loves all types of animals and birds. This book is never on a bookshelf. It's sitting out in the living room or in a bag to go places with us because we use it a lot. Our routine is this: we spot a bird. We grab the cheap binoculars I got from , we watch the bird and make note of its color, size, beak shape, and other features. Then we get out the book and find out what type of bird it is. It's fun and educational. The book is small and easy to toss in a purse or small bag to take along when we go out for the day, yet full of great pictures and info. I haven't seen a bird yet that I couldn't find in the book.

This is an excellent field guide. We live on a small lake and there are many additional ponds and lakes within walking distance of our home. Many different types of birds can be observed here year round. After a couple of tours in the everglades piqued our interest in being able to identify what we were seeing, we wanted an easy-to-use identification guide. We are not professional birders; just casual observers. This guide is perfect. It is small and easy to carry with you. There is a full page, full color picture of each bird, and the birds are organized in sections by color. Within those sections, they are organized by general body type and appearance. It is very easy to flip through the pages and quickly find what you are looking for. Another nice feature is the "compare" entry for each bird. It explains the differences between the subject bird and similar looking birds, and even references the page number in the guide where you can check the similar looking birds. This guide is exactly

what we were looking for.

I love this book. I live in central Florida and I'm a avid bird watcher. I feed year round and I enjoy watching birds at my various feeders. This book is easy to use and is quite handy. I keep it next to my sliding glass doors and have referenced it more times than I can count. I would recommend this to anyone who is new to. It's watching as well as those who are quite avid as well.

Very nice book. Beautiful, real pictures of the birds found in our area along with a nice description. Size of book is perfect to take in the field, even though mine never leaves our screen porch coffee table. Had the in-laws visiting from KY and it was really nice to have this there for them.

Fantastic! It's a small book with very accurate pictures. You identify the birds by color, and learn a little bit about each type of bird. We were surprised to learn that the female birds rarely look like the males. I wish we had bought this guide 2 years ago when we put out our first feeder (we now have 8 different ones specifically geared towards a variety of birds). It's so much fun to discover what you are watching. We knew we had woodpeckers, but now we know we have two types. We also found out the difference between crows, red winged blackbirds, and grackles- which all look very similar.

Great guide, good size and beautiful photos. Has most of the gorgeous birds you'll find in Florida and the range maps are super easy to help determine what birds you see. They are also coded by color which makes identification even easier.

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