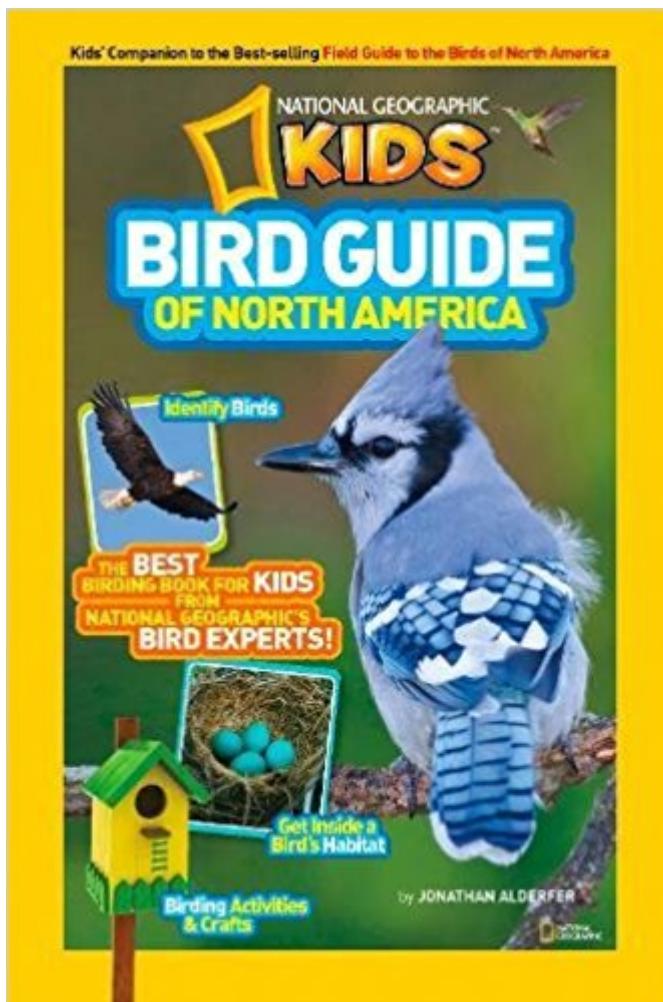


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# National Geographic Kids Bird Guide Of North America



## **Synopsis**

Featuring 100 species of birds from coast to coast this colorful guide helps kids identify and understand birds. The National Geographic Kids Bird Guide of North America will be both accessible and tons of fun. Fifty of the country's most popular birds will be laid out in stunning two-page spreads that will include information such as their range, the sounds they make, and the food they like to eat. Each profile will also include a cool or weird fun fact, and a feature called "A Closer Look," which digs deeper into once aspect of the bird's life (eating habits, birdsongs, etc.). Each profile will also display a fact box with the bird's scientific name, weight, length, and wingspan. Kids will also find tons of fun facts, bright and bold colors, full-color photographs, and layering of information that makes everything jump off the page. Birds will be organized by habitat, and habitat spreads will show where different birds live within each environment. The guide also explains all the basics that kids need to know about spotting birds. Features will include activities, such as how to build a birdhouse and how to build a birdfeeder, sidebars highlighting fascinating info, lists, range maps, and much more. Conservation information, a find out more section, glossary, and index will add ample back matter to round out this book.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 7 - 9 years

Grade Level: 2 - 4

## **Customer Reviews**

Billed as a "kids' companion" to the National Geographic Field Guide to the Birds of North America (2011), this informative title discusses more than 100 species. Each chapter presents birds from one of 10 habitats, such as "Western Backyard Birds," "City Streets and Parks," "Southern Swamp and Bayou," and "Deserts." Within the chapter, four birds are featured on individual double-page spreads that include color photos, a small painting with physical features labeled, and a range map, as well as discussions of voice, food, and habitat. Each chapter concludes with a spread introducing six more birds through small photos and text that is clearly written. From the publisher's signature yellow used for page backgrounds and margins to the many excellent photographs, the design makes this bright and inviting. While somewhat younger children may want to start with Annette LeBlanc Cate's *Look Up! Bird-Watching in Your Own Backyard* (2013), kids looking for more detail will find this an attractive guidebook. Grades 5-8. --Carolyn Phelan

Selected as a 2014 Outstanding Science Trade Book for Students K-12 by the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) and the Children's Book Council "A fun, colorful introduction to 112 species for kids ages 8 and up." --BirdWatching Magazine

We purchased this book for my son and I to identify the birds in our backyard. It has just a few of the most popular birds in each area. While it is laid out nicely and has great pictures there are several birds in our backyard that are not in there so we had to buy another book. Great book if you are looking just for an overview of the most common birds.

The whole family enjoys looking at this book. We care for people with developmental disabilities and they just love the book. It is easy to read and gives basic facts about birds and wonderful picture. I highly recommend this book for children, people with disabilities and old timers like me who like to keep it basic.

Everyone who opens this has loved this book. It was bought for a bird loving youth in the family and got passed around during the holidays with much success. It has a clear color pictures, a great table of contents and birds are divided by habitats. There are a few unconventional categories such as "Rock Star Birds", but it is descriptive in the habitat, as in birds that are located in rocky areas. After the sections of habitat there are additional 'fun' pages like: How to build a bird feeder, How to make a bird bath, How to build a bird nest, How to draw a bird, 6 things you can do to help birds. There is

also an informative index. Overall, it is much more entertaining than your standard identification guide. Is it missing a lot of birds? Of course! It only actually identifies 62 birds, 6 birds for 10 categories of habitat and 2 birds for 1 of the categories. But, it's not marketed as a field guide, more like a 'spotlight' on birds book.

Finally a book that purports to be pocket sized and it really small enough to fit into a jacket pocket. Bought it for my daughter who is a bird enthusiast.... she has read it from end to end and is starting to identify birds in our backyard and talk facts about them.

I was looking for a comprehensive bird guide for my four year old daughter and me to read together. I generally trust National Geographic and this book did not disappoint! It has the more common birds you would find in different ecosystems of North America. The pictures are bright and clear and there are lots of fun facts and information about each. I love the maps showing the distribution of each species, which is great for a visual learner like myself. I am learning a lot from this book along with my daughter. I have a feeling we'll be using this book for years to come whenever we want to identify a bird.

This book is colorful, clear, well illustrated. Explanations are interesting and to the point. The format is appealing to young readers.

Nice pictorials and information for kids who are able to participate in avid bird watching. Very large pictures, facts about each bird's habitat preferences, and also arranged by specific geographic areas they occupy, enabling parents to become more involved in jumpstarting the bird watching foray!

Kids & adults will love this beautifully illustrated and informative reference book. Complete with a picture index as well as regional & name index. I bought this for my granddaughter along with a set of binoculars so we could watch the birds while we have tea.

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