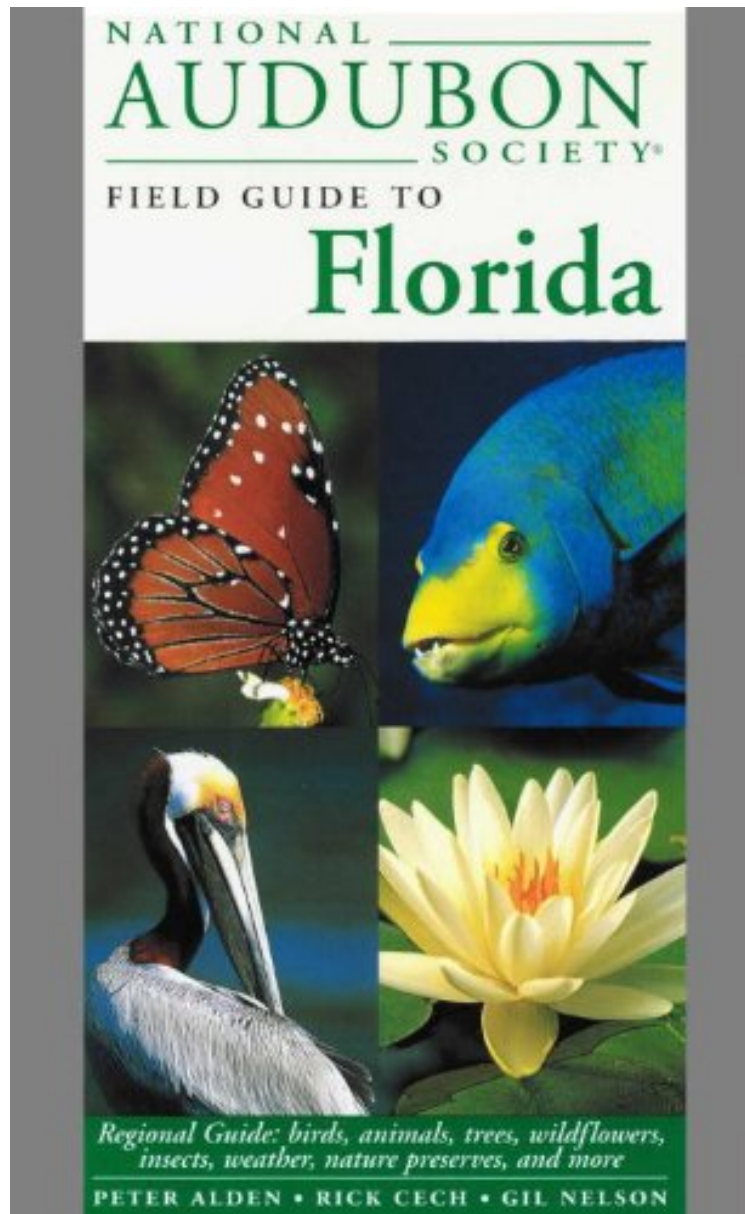


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**National Audubon Society, Peter Alden, Rick Cech : National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. If you only buy one book-buy this one!By My 2 CentsBought this

for my parents who just moved to Florida from Michigan. My dad really loves books like this and I'm open to suggestions about other books about flowers, birds, wildlife, etc of Florida if anyone has any. When I was down in Florida visiting I starting flipping through this and couldn't put it down, it was really cool. My only suggestion would be to break it up by color on the side- like color the edge of bird pages, blue, edge of flower pages, orange, etc so it's easy to flip to the section.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Just a bare bones guide, no meat.  
By Avatheps  
This was not the "Audubon" guide I expected. I own several different guides in the Audubon series, all of them with the standard green pebbled covers. This one has an illustrated cover. It is pretty to look at, but lacks in substance. It has just basic information about any of the subject matter it covers. It is sadly lacking entirely of any coverage at all of many species that I know are common in Florida. I bought it primarily as an identification source for fish and reptiles, but find it of little use. Lesson learned here. In the future I will not purchase these type of Audubon guides.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Florida field biology course helper  
By DR Collins  
I bought this book as a requirement for a Florida Field Biology Course and Lab that I needed. The book is filled with facts about native and non-native species in the many diverse Florida environmental habitats that make our state so unique. The book is small enough to carry in a back pocket and can take the rigors of hiking and exploration with its semi-hard cover and binding. Though my instructor, a PhD in Marine Biology, states the book is rather limited in the species it identifies it is the best reference available that isn't either electronic or much too impractical for field use. I rate it 5 \*\*\*\*\* stars for its ability to give me quick answers on the spot of identification of most species of flora and fauna I am charged with observing in the wild. It also has some great info about the many state reserves and parks throughout the state of Florida. A must have for anyone who is enchanted by the wonders of our Florida environs, native, and exotic species.

The most comprehensive field guide available to the flora and fauna of Florida--a portable, essential companion for visitors and residents alike--from the go-to reference source for over 18 million nature lovers. This compact volume contains: An easy-to-use field guide for identifying 1,000 of the state's wildflowers, trees, mushrooms, mosses, fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds, butterflies, mammals, and much more; A complete overview of Florida's natural history, covering geology, wildlife habitats, ecology, fossils, rocks and minerals, clouds and weather patterns and night sky; An extensive sampling of the area's best parks, preserves, beaches, forests, islands, and wildlife sanctuaries, with detailed descriptions and visitor information for 50 sites and notes on dozens of others. The guide is packed with visual information -- the 1,500 full-color images include more than 1,300 photographs, 14 maps, and 16 night-sky charts, as well as 150 drawings explaining everything from geological processes to the basic features of different plants and animals.

.com With its colorful coral reefs, excellent birding, and tropical temperatures, Florida remains a popular vacation spot for the ecologically minded. In this concisely detailed volume you'll become acquainted with the state's geologic origins, natural history, and diverse habitats (salt marshes, mangrove swamps, prairies, and woodlands). A field guide assists in the identification of some of the region's wildflowers, trees, fishes, amphibians, reptiles, butterflies, mammals, and birds, including the elusive manatee, three species of dolphin, and the rare snail kite. An extensive sampling of the area's best parks, preserves, beaches, forests, islands, and wildlife sanctuaries, with thorough descriptions and visitor information on 50 destinations, is also included. For instance, the section on Everglades National Park includes information on wildlife viewing possibilities, driving directions, and popular touring attractions inside the park (such as Shark Valley, where a 15-mile loop via foot, rental bike, or tram affords close views of alligators, anhingas, and wading birds). Lesser-known areas such as Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge and Withlacoochee State Forest are also featured. More than 1,300 color photographs heighten the quality of this handy compilation.

From Scientific American  
New regional guides put everything a naturalist needs to know for a nature walk at home or on family vacations in one pocket-size book: animals, plants and fungi plus information about climate, habitats and nature preserves. Other regions available.

From the Inside Flap  
Filled with concise descriptions and stunning photographs, the National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida belongs in the home of every Florida resident and in the suitcase or backpack of every visitor. This compact volume contains: An easy-to-use field guide for identifying 1,000 of the state's wildflowers, trees, mushrooms, mosses, fishes, amphibians, reptiles, birds, butterflies, mammals, and much more; A complete overview of Florida's natural history, covering geology, wildlife habitats, ecology, fossils, rocks and minerals, clouds and weather patterns and night sky; An extensive sampling of the area's best parks, preserves, beaches, forests, islands, and wildlife sanctuaries, with detailed descriptions and visitor information for 50 sites and notes on dozens of others. The guide is packed with visual information -- the 1,500 full-color images include more than 1,300 photographs, 14 maps, and 16 night-sky charts, as well as 150 drawings explaining everything from geological processes to the basic features of different plants and animals. For everyone who lives or spends time in Florida, there can be no finer guide to the area's natural surroundings than the National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida.