

## The Raritan River: Our Landscape, Our Legacy (Rivergate Regionals Collection)

*Judy Auer Shaw*

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**Judy Auer Shaw : The Raritan River: Our Landscape, Our Legacy (Rivergate Regionals Collection)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Raritan River: Our Landscape, Our Legacy (Rivergate Regionals Collection):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. which river I really love to visit from Raritan Bay all the way to ...By John J. Collins Since I live about a mile from the Raritan, which river I really love to visit from Raritan Bay all the way to the hills of central New Jersey, I just had to purchase this book. It was very well written and describes the river from its source to the bay. Beautiful photos accompany the text. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. New Jersey should be proud of this beautiful book on appreciating and caring for nature found here. By The Counselor Purchased originally because the author was a Master Gardener whom I had admired. The book came more quickly than anticipated so it is "my" Christmas present. The pictures do an excellent job of showing some of New Jersey's natural beauty. The book is educational and motivational without being heavy handed. Could be a beautiful coffee table addition. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Doremus Excellent description of the area where I live. The photographs and paintings are outstanding.

On the banks of the old Raritan, environmental expert Judy Shaw gives readers a tour of the remarkable river, a major waterway 90 miles long, with 2,000 miles of tributary streams and brooks that twists and turns from its source in Morris County, down to the Raritan Bay. It is the longest river that is completely within New Jersey, includes the states largest contiguous stretch of wildlife habitat, and runs through one of the most populated areas of the United States. The Raritan River shows New Jersey for what it is home to some of the most beautiful scenery in the country. This lavishly illustrated book tells the story of an amazing region where protected environments coexist with land left

in ruins by rampant industrialization and where the reckless pursuit of commerce scarred the lands along its banks. Shaw argues that as we work to protect this historically wooded and agricultural land from further development, we need to replace our outmoded infrastructure and rethink outdated design and management practices that currently limit our progress toward a clean and beautiful environment. With over 350 photographs and 20 paintings, Shaw captures scenes of the river, the wildlife on the shores, and the human activities along its banks. The illustrations show what is possible when we rescue the land, restore the habitat, and create harmony with nature. The Raritan River reminds us that people are the solution we need to engage locally, to educate ourselves, and to work with those who manage our parks and open spaces to adopt new practices that enrich our natural resources instead of neglecting them for another generation.

"Judy Shaw focuses on the incredible array of dedicated individuals and organizations who work to restore the Queen of Rivers to its former grandeur. As someone who canoed the Raritan in my youth, and who has lived along its banks, I salute the unsung heroes featured here, as well as the vibrant partnerships that serve as a model for citizens everywhere who would save and enjoy their own rivers.