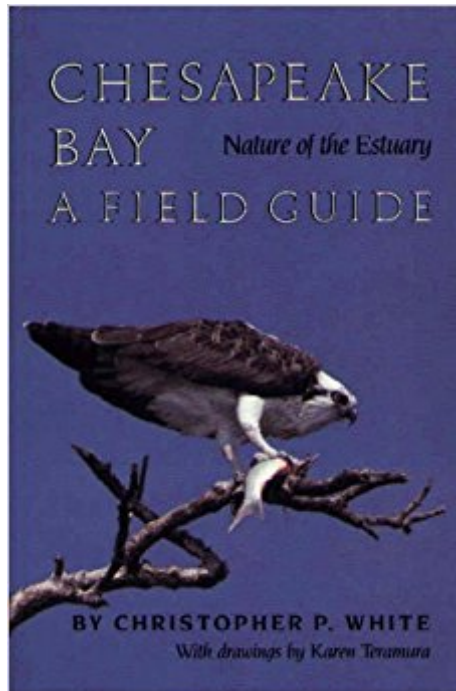




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Chesapeake Bay: Nature Of The Estuary: A Field Guide



Synopsis

This book has become the definitive field guide to the Chesapeake. Flora and fauna descriptions are arranged according to the Bay's nine major habitats -- from freshwater wetlands to saltwater marshes. Accordingly, readers can easily refer to the habitat in which they might be canoeing, for instance, and find the species that are common there. As a further aid in this process, the most important field marks of more than 500 species are shown in 350 superb pen-and-ink drawings, which make this benchmark work as visually appealing as it is useful.

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"Chesapeake Bay - Nature of the Estuary: A Field Guide" by Christopher P. White. This is how all field guides to natural areas should be written. It would be great to have a book like this for all our other "signature" eco-systems - the Great Lakes, the Prairie, the Everglades, the Gulf Coast, the Great Basin, the Appalachians etc., etc. Even the reader with a merely casual interest in the science(s) of Ecology will be gratified by the common sense approach, clear writing and excellent organization of this book - not to mention the myriad interesting observations Mr. White presents. As a bonus, it turns the notoriously difficult and obtuse science of Botany into an understandable and eminently useful outline that virtually anyone can put to good use. A definite High-5 for this one !!!

For anyone who grew up in the area this book is a must. The wildlife that the bay & estuaries support are here to share with friends and loved ones. This is a gift to a friend on the bay for their guest room.

Necessary for your backpack when venturing into "bay country" as you will be pulling it out often to check on a marsh grass, bird, or insect. A first stop for identification and connecting with your "finds" and a bridge to specific field guides.

Very informative, but I think it would have been better to use color photos and diagrams. Overall, a great book to use when trying to identify critters of the Bay!

I've lived near the Chesapeake Bay and on a bay estuary for most of my adult life. I thought I had a pretty decent knowledge of the bay and its tributary waters plants and animals - until I read this easily read fact filled well organized impressive book during my first year of work retirement. A great little book I wish I had discovered twenty years ago!

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