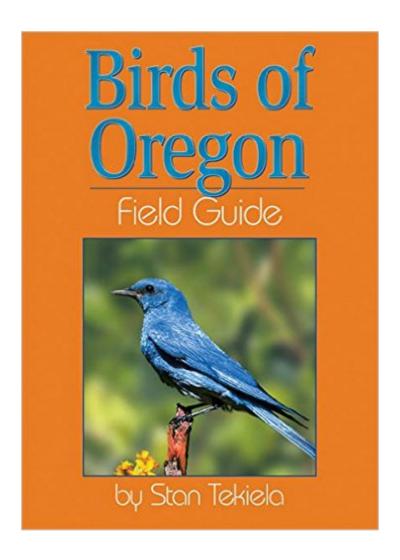
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# **Birds Of Oregon Field Guide**





## **Synopsis**

Make bird watching in Oregon 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 Oregon. This book features 130 species of Oregon 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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#### **Customer Reviews**

This is the best field guide I've ever seen, for any state, region or country. Birds are grouped by color, making it easy for the novice birder. Includes large color photograph of every bird with separate pictures to differentiate females and juveniles. In addition to basic information, interesting behaviorial tidbits are included for each species. I could not be happier with this book.

While I've used a number of more general wildlife guides, both in the Northwest U.S., and in travels around the world, I've never used one focused solely on birding. Thus, my short review must be taken with a grain of salt. However, I am repeatedly amazed at how fast I find a bird that's suddenly come within view. Further, I've yet to come across a bird in Oregon that I haven't been able to find in this book. AND The book is small enough to lug along on short backpacking trips -- as long as you're not also lugging a load of novels that must be read while sitting alone, next to a Cascadian mountain lake, of course.

I like this book because it is simple and easy to use. Because it is color coded by birds. Its great for the beginner birder. Plus it let's you check off the birds you have seen in the back of the book. I would definatly recommend this book to any beginner birder as their first book of purchase!

Unlike some other field guides, this book is simple to use, has a great summary of each bird, and a handy checklist at the back where you can track the variety of birds you've seen. There have been a couple of birds I've seen in Oregon that weren't listed (i.e., Northern Pygmy Owl) but for the most part, this is a very comprehensive guide for the novice, or experienced birder. Recommend for young people as well to introduce them to the hobby!

I was soo addicted to my old Peterson guide, and I bought this for my Mom, who loves the format. After using it a few times, I like it better. Its a good little, usable field guide. Now we keep three bird books in a basket with two sets of glasses everytime we sit out in the yard. Mom grabs this one first, then I wrestle it away from her. Pity summers ending.wish I could buy a copy of his birds of Willamette valley on .

I live in Central Oregon and have thoroughly been enjoying using this book to figure out what birds are coming to my backyard feeders. Rarely have I had to use the internet to figure out what type of bird is in my backyard. I am very happy that I purchased this book and recommend it to anyone living in Oregon who enjoys bird watching!

This is by no means a complete guide to ALL the birds in Oregon, but if you want to see which ones you are MOST LIKELY to see, then this is the book for you. I have other guides, but by the time I get done going through all of the descriptions and maps to see if MAYBE this is the bird I am looking at, the bird is gone. This book, arranged by bird color, is great for that first try at identification. The photos of the birds are amazing. Since the author is a wildlife photographer, he picked the photos that make it much easier to identify the birds. I have an Audubon guide as well, but the photos in it pale in comparison. A really nice bonus is the addition of both males and females photos on the same page, even if they are differing in color. For example, I was always familiar with the American Kestrel MALE, but not so much the female. After seeing his photos, I realized that I had been trying to identify a female Kestrel as a completely different bird. His descriptions of the birds are more than adequate. The maps even go as far as showing county lines so you can really see where he is

talking about. And Stan's Notes on the birds give more information than even Audubon! An example of this is the House Finch. No other guide book I have ever read makes mention of a fatal eye disease that causes the eyes to crust over. That explained a lot to me since I had seen this in the finches and just assumed it was a defect or old injury scar. If you are from Oregon and like to sip your morning coffee while watching the bird feeder (like I do), then this is definitely the book for you.

Having started birding only this year, I found this guide a Godsend. When I first started out I used the typical guides that experienced birders use. This lead only to frustration. Such books require the user to know what family of bird one sees in order to find the correct section of the book. This book, however, allows a beginner to easily "picture key" unknown birds based on color. I'd dare say, that without this book, I would have given up on birding through shear annoyance with the other guides. Thus far there has been one bird I've seen that is not in the guide (Vaux swift), but big deal.....every other other species I've seen I have been able to identify. If you are an experienced birder who takes great pride in a life list as long as you arm (and/or you have a need to loudly identify every species you see to everyone around you) this is not the book for you. If, however, you are a beginner, or are an mellow, experienced person who simply wants a small, easy to use guide, I highly recommend this book.

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