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### Field Guide to Backyard Birds of the South

Compact Guide To  
Offers advice on watching the four hundred species of birds found in North Carolina's national seashores, national forests, wildlife refuges, state parks, and game lands

**Better Birding** Wesleyan University Press  
In this fascinating book, New Yorker business columnist James Surowiecki explores a deceptively simple idea: Large groups of people are smarter than an elite few, no matter how brilliant—better at solving problems, fostering innovation, coming to wise decisions, even predicting the future. With boundless erudition and in delightfully clear prose, Surowiecki ranges across fields as diverse as popular culture, psychology, ant biology, behavioral economics, artificial intelligence, military history, and politics to show how this simple idea offers important lessons for how we live our lives, select our leaders, run our companies, and think about our world.

*Chimney Swift Towers* National Geographic Books

The definitive book on birds found in the Carolina Piedmont. *Birds of the Central Carolinas* is more than just a bird book. It is an invaluable tool for anyone who wants to discover the fascinating history of birds in the region and to understand their status and distribution today. Vastly more informative than a field guide, this work presents historical material previously unpublished in any book and deftly incorporates firsthand accounts by Piedmont birders. *Birds of the Central Carolinas* establishes a benchmark for birders to build upon throughout the remainder of the twenty-first century.   
Covers almost 400 species of birds documented in the Piedmont of both North and South Carolina  
Provides detailed analysis of all records for the Central Carolinas, an area that lies at the core of the Carolina Piedmont and also at the center of the Piedmont Ecoregion--as mapped by The Nature

Conservancy  
Incorporates the results of the Mecklenburg County Breeding Bird Atlas--the first county-level atlas project in the Carolinas  
Shares firsthand accounts of bird observations over the past 150 years  
a book that is both beautifully crafted and an invaluable resource for ornithology and conservation in the Carolinas.  
Dr. R.O. Bierregaard, ornithologist, Research Associate at Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University  
[Birds of the Central Carolinas] tells a story we need to pay attention to.  
Jim Garges, Director, Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department  
Birds  
futures and fortunes are inextricably twined with those of humankind. Seriff knows intimately how the inhabitants of Piedmont skies are changing.  
Amber Ververka, writer, Keepingwatch.org, UNC Charlotte

*Compact Guide to North Carolina Birds* UNC Press Books

Identifies 200 prime bird sites in South Carolina.

*The Home Place* Page Street Publishing  
The well-loved standard reference for bird-watchers and nature lovers in North Carolina and South Carolina, *Birds of the Carolinas* collects information on all avian species known to have occurred in the region since 1900. This thoroughly revised second edition describes more than 460 individual species, including more than 60 new species that have been recorded since the publication of the first edition in 1980. Updated entries for all species reflect the current status of bird life as well as major changes in taxonomy and nomenclature. Each species account indicates when and where the bird is most likely to be found in the Carolinas, its nesting habits, feeding habits, and descriptive information useful in identifying the species. Generously illustrated with 350 color photographs, this comprehensive guide to regional birds and their behavior will quickly earn a prominent place on the bookshelf of every bird-watcher in the Carolinas.

*The North Carolina Birding Trail* Falcon Guides

Minnesota lies at the crossroads of four major landscapes--prairie grasslands, deciduous woods, coniferous forest and

aspen parkland. Each area has distinct habitats for plants and animals and offers unique opportunities for viewing birds. This new book in the American Birding Association Field Guide series build on the excellence of previous titles: - Respected Minnesotan native birder - 550 beautiful color photographs featuring over 300 bird species in natural habitats - Clear and concise introduction, identification, habitat, and birdsong text - Tips on when and where to see birds - Organized by type of bird from waterfowl to finches - Complete state checklist, detailed state map, index, and quick index - Perfect portable book for beginning to intermediate birders

*The Field Guide to Dumb Birds of North America* Schiffer Pub Limited

In 2015, Noah Strycker, a young American birder, became the first person to see more than half of the 10,000 bird species on planet Earth in one year. Traveling to forty-one countries on seven continents with just a small backpack, a pair of binoculars, and a series of one-way tickets, Noah not only set a new world record, he also captured the hearts and imaginations of people all over the world.

**Fifty Places to Go Birding Before You Die** UNC Press Books

Chimney Swifts, birds that nest and roost in chimneys, have been historically abundant in North America. But by the late 1980s, the number of swifts migrating to North America from the Amazon River Basin had declined. A growing number of people across North America are now constructing nesting towers and conducting Chimney Swift conservation projects in their own communities. With *Chimney Swift Towers*, concerned bird conservationists have a step-by-step guide to help them create more habitat for these beneficial, insect-eating birds. Chimney Swift experts Paul and Georgean Kyle give directions for building freestanding wooden towers, wooden kiosk towers, masonry towers, and other structures. Included are - design basics, - lists of materials needed, - useful diagrams and photographs, - and detailed instructions on site preparation, tower construction, installation, and maintenance. Anyone with basic woodworking or masonry skills

and an interest in wildlife conservation will find this publication helpful. That includes do-it-yourselfers, homeowners involved in creating backyard habitat for wildlife, landscape and structural architects, park and wildscape managers, wildlife management area professionals, nature centers, garden centers, scout troops, and other civic organizations in search of community service projects.

*Red Coats and Wild Birds* Univ of North Carolina Press

NOW A MAJOR MOTION PICTURE—The #1 New York Times bestselling worldwide sensation with more than 15 million copies sold, hailed by The New York Times Book Review as “a painfully beautiful first novel that is at once a murder mystery, a coming-of-age narrative and a celebration of nature.” For years, rumors of the “Marsh Girl” have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life—until the unthinkable happens. *Where the Crawdads Sing* is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent secrets that nature keeps.

*Birds of Alabama Field Guide* Rocky Publications

From the shores of Lake Erie in the north to the long and winding Ohio River of its eastern and southern border, Ohio provides amazingly diverse habitats for birds. The hilly Appalachian region of the east and south contain some of the most diverse woodlands in the United States. The northwest region known as the Great Black Swamp has many marshes and wetlands. And along the shore of Lake Erie sits one of the most famous birding sites in the world--the Magee Marsh Wildlife Area. Known as the "warbler capital of the world," many thousands of birds stop along along their migration routes during the spring and fall. Ohio has many protected areas for birds including a National Park, three National Wildlife Refuges, and over 3.5 million acres of IBAs (Important Bird Areas). The Buckeye State

is truly one of the best places to see birds year-round in the U.S.A. From geese to grosbeaks, owls to warblers, grouse to waxwings, Ohio is truly a birder's paradise. Written by expert Ohio birder Ethan Kistler and filled with gorgeous color images by Brian E. Small, the American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of Ohio is the perfect companion for anyone wanting to learn more about the natural history and diversity of the state's birds and when and where to see them. Now With: -Printed with certified paper from responsible sources-Sturdy lay-flat binding-Rounded corners won't catch--no more torn or ragged pages

*Birds of the Carolinas* American Birding Association S

Follows the 1998 Big Year competition between Sandy Komito, Al Levantin, and Greg Miller, during which the three rivals risked their lives to set a new North American birding record.

*A Birder's Guide to Coastal North Carolina* American Birding Association S

Birding in Connecticut is the definitive guide to where, when and, how to find birds in the state. Packed with information valuable to birders of all skill levels, from species accounts and a first-of-a kind cumulative list of rare bird sightings to a host of tips and tricks to finding and identifying birds. It is an invaluable resource on the habits and habitats of Connecticut's birdlife, with clear and up-to-date bar graphs showing seasonal occurrence and abundance for every Connecticut bird species. It is the first guide of its kind to offer QR code links to continually updated information on the occurrence and abundance of birds at each location. Beautifully illustrated with color photographs and maps, *Birding in Connecticut* is the perfect companion for experts and novices alike.

*Where the Crawdads Sing* National Geographic Books

DivFilled with beautiful photos and entertaining, informative entries, *Southern Birds: The Backyard Guide* is the perfect no-nonsense pocket manual for the 55 most common species in the Southern United States./div

*The Wisdom of Crowds* Princeton University Press

North Carolina harbors an incredible diversity of habitats that provide food and shelter for more than 440 bird species throughout the year, making the state a destination for birders and nature lovers. The North Carolina Birding Trail is a driving trail linking birders and tourists with great birding sites across the state and the local communities in which they are found. The second of three regional guides, the

Piedmont Trail Guide presents 103 premier birding destinations in the North Carolina piedmont, most within an easy drive of the state's urban centers, between Charlotte on the west and Interstate 95 on the east. The spiral-bound volume features maps, detailed site descriptions, and color photographs throughout. Each site description includes directions as well as information on access, focal species and habitats, and on-site visitor amenities. Special "while you're in the area" listings accompany each of fourteen site groupings, so visitors can travel to a cluster of birding destinations and enjoy other local highlights and attractions along the way.

*American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of Minnesota* Univ of North Carolina Press

How to go from a beginner to an expert birder *Better Birding* reveals the techniques expert birders use to identify a wide array of bird species in the field—quickly and easily. Featuring hundreds of stunning photos and composite plates throughout, this book simplifies identification by organizing the birds you see into groupings and offering strategies specifically tailored to each group. Skill building focuses not just on traditional elements such as plumage, but also on creating a context around each bird, including habitat, behavior, and taxonomy—parts so integral to every bird's identity but often glossed over by typical field guides. Critical background information is provided for each group, enabling you to approach bird identification with a wide-angle view, using your eyes, brain, and binoculars more strategically, resulting in a more organized approach to learning birds. *Better Birding* puts the thrill of expert bird identification within your reach. Reveals the techniques used by expert birders for quick and easy identification Simplifies identification with strategies tailored to different groupings of birds Features hundreds of photos and composite plates that illustrate the different techniques Fosters a wide-angle approach to field birding Provides a foundation for building stronger birding skills

*Birds of Coastal South Carolina* Lone Pine Pub. International

Become a better birder with brief portraits of 200 top North American birds. This friendly, relatable book is a celebration of the art, science, and delights of bird-watching. *How to Know the Birds* introduces a new, holistic approach to bird-watching, by noting how behaviors, settings, and seasonal cycles connect with shape, song, color, gender, age

distinctions, and other features traditionally used to identify species. With short essays on 200 observable species, expert author Ted Floyd guides us through a year of becoming a better birder, each species representing another useful lesson: from explaining scientific nomenclature to noting how plumage changes with age, from chronicling migration patterns to noting hatchling habits. Dozens of endearing pencil sketches accompany Floyd's charming prose, making this book a unique blend of narrative and field guide. A pleasure for birders of all ages, this witty book promises solid lessons for the beginner and smiles of recognition for the seasoned nature lover.

The Sibley Guide to Bird Life & Behavior  
Abrams

With more than 15,000 interior lakes and bordering both Lake Superior to the north and Lake Michigan to the east, Wisconsin is famous as a place to observe waterbirds of all types. It also has expansive forested areas, plains, and farmlands providing ideal habitats for hummingbirds, raptors, warblers, sparrows and more. And with nine national wildlife refuges, two national parks, and more than three million acres of IBAs (Important Bird Areas), Wisconsin is truly a great state for birds and birders. Written by expert Wisconsin birder Charles Hagner and filled with gorgeous color images by Brian E. Small, the American Birding Association Field Guide to Birds of

Wisconsin is the perfect companion for anyone wanting to learn more about the natural history and diversity of the state's birds and when and where to see them. *Birding in Connecticut* Timber Press  
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Bringing Nature Home Penguin

"If you cut down the goldenrod, the wild black cherry, the milkweed and other natives, you eliminate the larvae, and starve the birds. This simple revelation about the food web—and it is an intricate web, not a chain—is the driving force in

Bringing Nature Home." —The New York Times As development and subsequent habitat destruction accelerate, there are increasing pressures on wildlife populations. But there is an important and simple step toward reversing this alarming trend: Everyone with access to a patch of earth can make a significant contribution toward sustaining biodiversity. There is an unbreakable link between native plant species and native wildlife—native insects cannot, or will not, eat alien plants. When native plants disappear, the insects disappear, impoverishing the food source for birds and other animals. In many parts of the world, habitat destruction has been so extensive that local wildlife is in crisis and may be headed toward extinction. Bringing Nature Home has sparked a national conversation about the link between healthy local ecosystems and human well-being, and the new paperback edition—with an expanded resource section and updated photos—will help broaden the movement. By acting on Douglas Tallamy's practical recommendations, everyone can make a difference.

**North Carolina Bird Watching** Bird  
Watcher's Digest Backyard

Pinpoints the best places to view more than four hundred species of birds, utilizing color photographs and maps to identify bird sanctuaries, national and state parks, wildlife refuges, nature trails, and other birding locales.