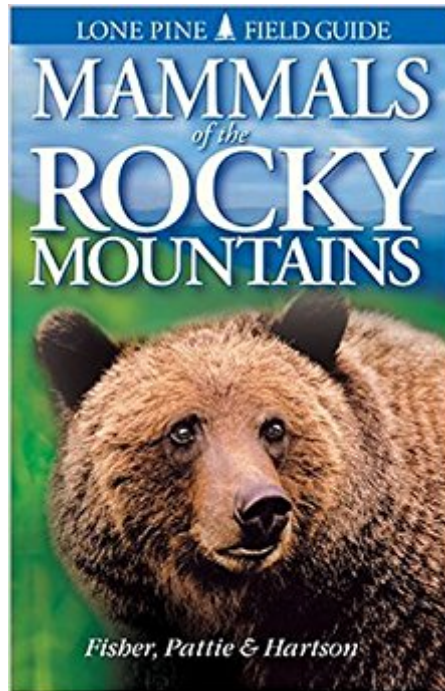




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Synopsis

A colorfully illustrated field guide to 91 mammals common to the wide ranges of the Rocky Mountains. Full-page color photos, color illustrations, tracks and range maps are just some of the components of this guide.

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...a must-have book...an ideal reference for any family where kids have to research critters for school projects...an easy-to-follow and beautifully illustrated guide... --Edmonton Sun
This field guide is a joy to use...written in a style that is informative, entertaining and easy to read. --Jasper Booster

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Galapagos Islands, the Basin, China, Tibet, Vietnam, Thailand and Malaysia. When she is not traveling, Tamara enjoys writing and studying biodiversity. To date, she has authored or co-authored more than two dozen nature books.

This series of field guide are very informative and interesting.

Perfect field guide for kids!

I have really enjoyed this book. It is fun to see an animal in the wild that I have not seen before and find it in this book.

Wonderfully colorful and interesting book for ages 10yrs and older. The front and back cover are very durable. My daughter saw this book while we were on vacation and had to have it. The whole family can enjoy this book.

The book has a full page photo of a beaver and labels it as a badger(this may be reversed as the book is not where I can refer to it at the moment) I was disappointed in the book. It has been published for many years and still has errors.

Lone Pine books are probably the most pleasing nature guides I've seen. They aren't as lean and functional as some of the great bird ID guides, they're... pleasing, like a really engaging encyclopedia. Their layout, their spare but well-written texts, their thoughtfully done range maps, their size and weight, their durable feeling, and just the overall tone of these books all feel right, just right. As a publisher, Lone Pine seems to be aiming for spots that aren't saturated with competitors. They're also taking a regional approach. So, we get a "Plants of the Rocky Mountains" title from Lone Pine, with trees and perennials and annuals and so on, rather than an "Eastern Wildflowers" or something like that. This Mammals book is more of a browsing sort of guide, a reference you skim through or go to check when you've see something, rather than an identification helper you'd use with binoculars. I'm sure it'd be fine as an actual ID guide too, but the idea here isn't to get a bunch of comparable deer species onto the same page to let you compare, it's to provide enough space for each species to really come into its own. (There is a little paragraph for each animal explaining what you could mistake for it, but that's not quite the same. And anyway, how many types of bear are there in the Rockies?) I've also seen a Squirrels guide from them that seemed to follow much

the same style. The format's beautiful, easy to use and very consistent. Each species includes at least one illustration and one photo, along with four pages of loving description. There are nice little callouts with explanatory text about behavior and so on. It's all extremely easy on the eye. Once you've used one of this company's books, you'll probably want to set a shelf aside at your cabin.

I discovered this book in a store at Glacier National Park and immediately wished I had bought it before going. There is an excellent reference guide at the front of the book to help you identify species you may not be familiar with. There is also a short section with general information such as advice on mammal watching. The bulk of the book is taken up with detailed entries on each mammal. There are excellent photos and/or drawings for each, animal as well as background information, habitat, food, and a description. There is even a listing of what the most similar mammal is to help you tell whether you are confusing one animal for another. I find this book to be both interesting and useful. It is probably more suitable for a beginning naturalist like me than a real veteran outdoorsman who would need more of an encyclopedic volume to learn anything he doesn't already know. But that's hardly a flaw and to be expected from a book that is less than 300 pages. A final note in its favor is that the cover is heavily laminated and the pages are very thick stock so it is well built to take on the road.

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