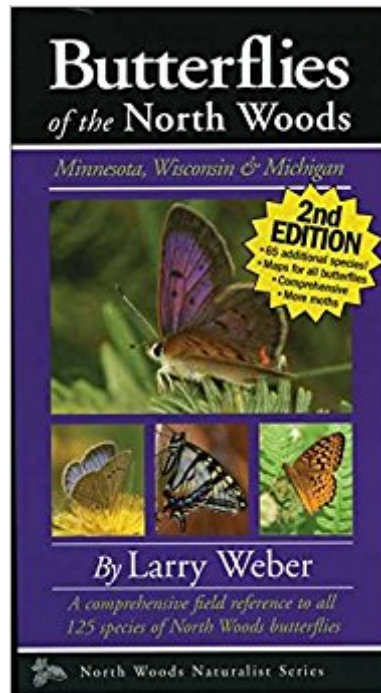


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Customer Reviews

I cannot say enough about the North Woods guides. These books cover the Great Lakes states that border Canada -- generally a little farther north than the region I'm in near Chicago, but many of the species are applicable throughout the upper Eastern U.S. If you live in a state as far south as Missouri, Kentucky, or Virginia, for example, I suspect you'll find that a number of these 125 species will be present in your region. Butterflies of the North Woods provides introductory chapters that explain butterfly biology and behavior, and tips on butterfly observation, in addition to a nicely laid out guide to species. The book ends with helpful appendices, including a species checklist and information about favorite foods of butterflies, binocular specs sorted by brand (for butterfly watching), species sorting by habitat, and other resources. The photographs in the species guide are beautiful and reasonably large. I'm glad the guide includes a map with each butterfly, even if it only covers the upper Great Lakes region. The descriptions are easy to follow, even for an amateur, but it is suitable for any naturalist in my opinion. This author, Larry Weber, also wrote Spiders of the North Woods, another of my favorite guides. As far as I'm concerned, he's covered the two coolest animal groups on earth.

This was an impulse purchase, but I am very pleased with this guide to butterflies. Great photos make identification easy and I love that every entry provides information about lifecycle and host plants. If you live in the North Central U.S. and enjoy butterflies I highly recommend this book!

Excellent reference guide to the butterflies that visit your yard if you live in southeastern Wisconsin, as I do. I have been adding Butterfly Habitat plants to my yard the last 3 years and this year for the first time I was able to identify the female Black Swallowtail who came to sun herself one day. Also, the first year I saw the Common Buckeye in my yard. A must have for Butterfly lovers.

If you live in or near the geographic area covered by this book, I believe it is the best field guide to get started in butterfly ID, and it is complete enough to be useful for more experienced butterflying. The Kaufman Field Guide to Butterflies and Butterflies Through Binoculars are also excellent and well worth owning, but you may find sorting through all the butterflies not found in your area to be overwhelming. Be sure to get the Second Edition of this book (which is what is offering here); the first edition does not include many of the common species found in the "north woods". This edition covers everything you're likely to encounter and some irruptives that aren't so likely. The photos are good, the text is informative, and the phenology information is great. Lots of information, well-organized, in a very portable package. I also highly recommend "Orchids of the North Woods".

I have this book for our vacation home in northern Door County. I use it so much I had to get one for our home in SE WI. Pictures are great, descriptions are right on and it is really easy to use. Great reference!

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