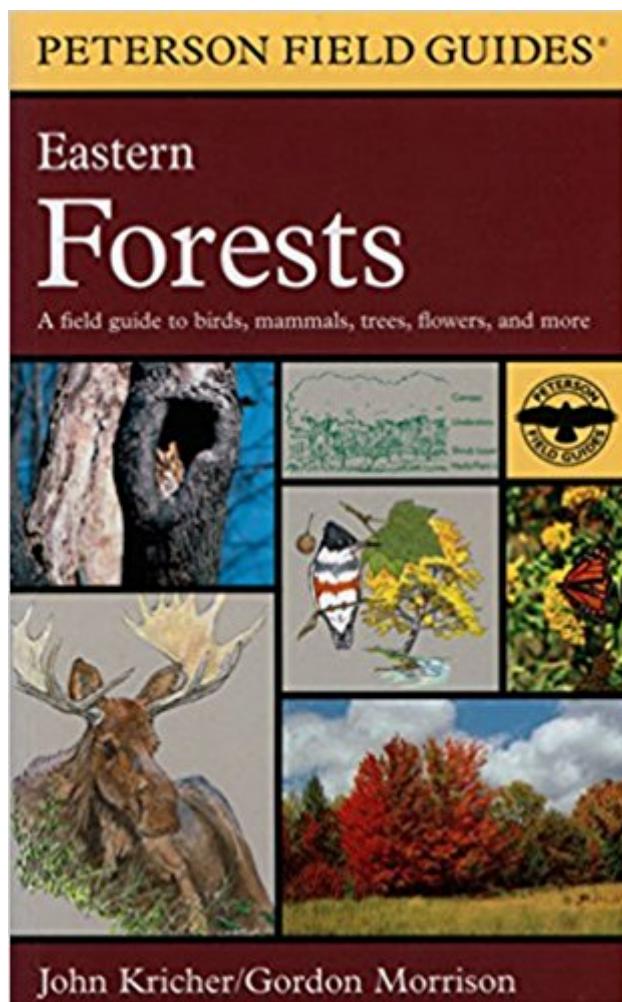


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Twenty-seven types of forest communities east of the Rockies are described in terms of their characteristic indicator species. Illustrative plates, many of which are in color, accompany these descriptions. Seasonal processes within the forest are also discussed. This book, when used in conjunction with appropriate field guides, is an excellent introduction for the amateur naturalist who wants to see the forest as a whole. Recommended. Laurie Bartolini, Lincoln Lib., Springfield, Ill.

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Gordon Morrison is a well-known naturalist whose work has been praised by Roger Tory Peterson as "Marvelous, beautiful, excellent . . . Morrison's work is so inspiring that I wish such clear material was available when I was slowly learning ecology. . . . We owe a debt of gratitude to

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Great book, covers the whole ecology of Eastern Forests. Everything from trees to mammals, birds, fish, shrubs, insects. All of it. Of course, having so much information, and being a field guide, it can only hold so much information on everything. One of my favorite Peterson Field Guides, and I own nearly every one of them for my area.

Not an easy field guide but filled with information. Too think and too difficult to take in the field but its good to have around for a reference "At Home".

This is not easy reading. But this is information I've always wanted, from ecosystems I've always observed and hiked in but never really understood that well. This is worth the read.

We used this as a textbook for my ecology lab course. It was also helpful as a reference for the ecological survey we conducted during the class.

This book is a very good addition to anyone looking to further their understanding of wildlands. People seeking to understand the nature and which plants will best grow on their property or property they are considering to further wildlife habitat will appreciate the information contained in the book. For those looking to purchase property for a retreat or possible vacation area will find the information equally beneficial. Knowing which species thrive in areas frequently sustaining wildfires (when not planted as cover) can help in determining the actual long term value and whether additional steps should be taken to mitigate potential threats to their homes/structures.

Great well written guide, but really jam packed with information, one page can have 7 examples of leaves, a diagram of a bird with with a list of 17 body parts and descriptions of habitats. It makes for slow reading with lots of thinking trying to understand and absorb. I carry it in my pack mountain bike to a beautiful spot and read about nature as I sit in it.

The books layout makes it difficult to use as a reference book. The information is there but sometimes it takes searching to find.

A valuable book for outdoor people who are interested in the woods and forests and have a desire to know more about them.

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