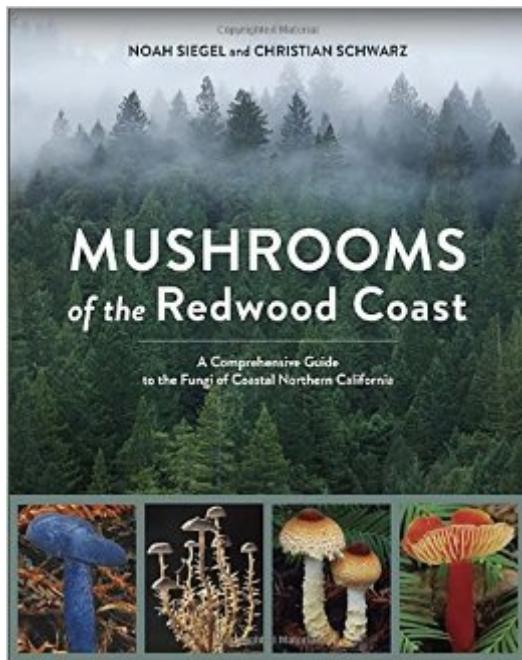


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Mushrooms Of The Redwood Coast: A Comprehensive Guide To The Fungi Of Coastal Northern California



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A comprehensive and user-friendly field guide for identifying the many mushrooms of the northern California coast, from Monterey County to the Oregon border. *Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast* will help beginning and experienced mushroom hunters alike to find and identify mushrooms, from common to rare, delicious to deadly, and interesting to beautiful. This user-friendly reference covers coastal California from Monterey County to the Oregon border with full treatments of more than 750 species, and references to hundreds more. With tips on mushroom collecting, descriptions of specific habitats and biozones, updated taxonomy, and outstanding photography, this guide is far and away the most modern and comprehensive treatment of mushrooms in the region. Each species profile pairs a photograph with an in-depth description, as well as notes on ecology, edibility, toxicity, and look-alike species. Written by mushroom identification experts and supported by extensive field work, *Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast* is an indispensable guide for anyone curious about fungi.

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Mushrooms of the Redwood Coast - the stunningly illustrated new field guide to the Northern Californian coastal region â “ is a book that effortlessly balances between beauty and utility. Guides on mushrooms vary in the level of detail they bring to their subject. Some offer a quick snapshot of common species, while others provide discussion to satisfy those of a more scientific bent. This volume satisfies on all levels. The photography is exceptional: original images of collections in a natural setting, clear views of sections and a good variety of specimens make identification easier.

The descriptions are comprehensive and include microscopic features as well as nomenclature discussion and commentary directing the identifier to related or commonly confused species and flagging species edibility. The guide also places the reader in an ecological context, including description of dominant forest types and species. One of the most exciting aspects of this publication is its contribution to popularizing developments in fungal taxonomy. A good number of species included in the book are only recently described, newly renamed, or yet to be fully published. Their inclusion in this volume is their first appearance outside the academic literature and will enable more of us to benefit from the work being done in understanding our unique North American fungi. Although I am based in the Pacific Northwest â “ some distance from the Northern California Coast which is the primary focus of the guide â “ I have been pleased to see a lot of overlap with our PNW species. This is not that surprising given that the key zone covered by the guide stretches over 500 miles!

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