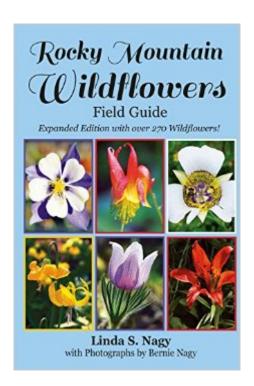
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Rocky Mountain Wildflowers Field Guide





Synopsis

Rocky Mountain Wildflowers Field Guide is for all nature enthusiasts who want to learn more about wildflowers throughout Colorado and Wyoming's Rocky Mountain Region. The handy, pocket-sized 272-page softbound book fits easily into a shirt pocket or backpack. Information includes common, scientific and family names, a brief description, and each wildflower's habitat, life zone, and general flowering time. Wildflowers were photographed from Rocky Mountain National Park to the Mosquito Range, and from Crested Butte to the southern San Juan National Forest Region. In Wyoming, wildflowers were photographed in several areas of the central Rockies. Clear, detailed photos depict some of the most common as well as some uncommon wildflowers that one might find along trails, open meadows and roadsides. The 270-plus wildflowers in the guide are grouped with color-coded page edges indicating sections of white, yellow, red and blue/purple flowers to help in quickly locating an unknown wildflower. Included also are descriptions of the Colorado Rocky Mountain Life Zones, illustrations of leaf shapes and inflorescences, and an index of wildflowers by color. This guide is the perfect size for taking along on camping and hiking trips in the Rocky Mountains. The guide's rounded edges makes it easy to tuck in a pocket or pack. Research, identification, text and illustrations are by Linda Nagy with photographs and book design by her husband, multiple award winning author and photographer Bernie Nagy (check their author pages on .) Published by High Country Artworks, Fairplay, CO 80440.

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Customer Reviews

This is a sweet little field guide for flowers of the Rocky Mountain area. Here in northern New Mexico, I am just at the southern edge of that. Right off the bat, I recognized several flowers in this

book. I love that the book itself fits easily in my small hands and this makes it perfect for packing on a hike or carrying around on slow stroll. The book is cleverly organized by flower color. In fact the edges of the pages are colored so you can look at the closed book side on and see right away where to turn to for a flower identification. The book opens with some useful info that is succinctly given â " no rambling, which is great. Clear illustrations provide info on the different parts of a flower, what different kinds of flower clusters are called, and various leaf shapes. I have a biology degree and these few pages taught me a few things about plants. The description for each flower contains the Latin name, the genetic family, and the common names. The habitats, flowering season(s), and altitude zone is also given for each flower, sizes of both the flower and the plant are also given. I especially liked that several descriptions have a line or two about where the flowerâ ™s common name came from. Itâ ™s a cool piece of trivia for dinner parties and hiking buddies alike. The photography is clear and sharp. The images often have insets so that you can see what the plant looks like from a few feet away and then what the flowers look like up close. The lighting in the images is pretty consistent throughout too which I think is an accomplishment. Obviously, not all 270+ flowers could have been photoed in the same day. I am most pleased with this field guide and I think many folks and flower enthusiasts would find it useful.

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