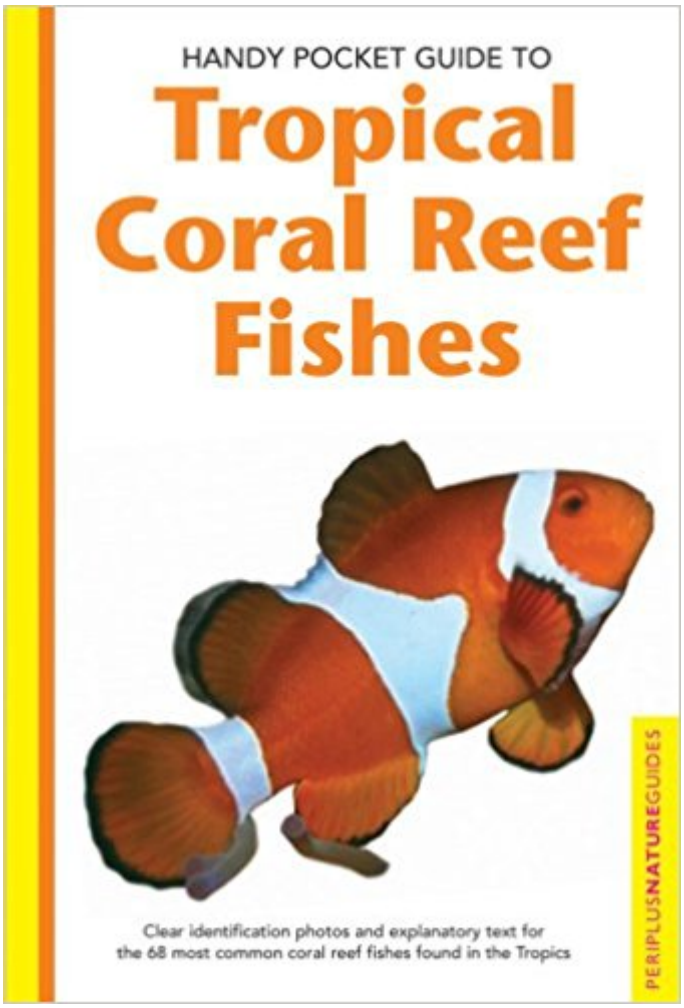
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Gerald Allen has written over 300 articles and at least 25 books about reef fishes.

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volunteer at the GA Aquarium and I found this book while on the look out for something quick and easy to refer to while reviewing my fish identification skills. I use this book all the time when I browse around the aquarium and or I have a quick guest question. I didn't give it 5 stars because I wished it included more species and allowed me to make it my main go to quick-guide.My all time favorite so far is "Coral Reef Fishes: Indo-Pacific and Caribbean" by Ewald Lieske and Robert Myers.I especially like the fact that it provides the fish silouettes by family: this helps me quite a bit as it allows me to narrow down to a family when I am confused :)Enjoy!

The Kindle edition is not satisfactory: the photos are usually on the next page, next to the text for a different fish. And of course one can't flick through the pages to find a picture like the fish one has just seen.The price is very low, so I'm going to buy the print edition and ignore my Kindle version.

I really enjoyed this book! We went to Jamaica and snorkled for the first time ever. I bought this book thinking my 7 year old would enjoy flipping through the pics while we were on the airplane headed to Jamaica, little did I know that every time we got back from snorkling I would grab it up to understand what I saw!! I literally wore the book out in a week from reading and flipping through the pages.

This is a nice field guide for basic information and basic identification. I would like more scientific information on the animals covered and maybe more animals to be covered overall. But I understand this is a book that is meant to be small and easy to use for all ages and education levels. Very convenient size too.

This is a very informative book!!

If you're looking for a comprehensive book on coral reef fishes, this is not a book for you. For beginners, kids, as a quick reminder after a dive - this is very useful.

This book was exactly what I hoped for -- small and simple to take on a tropical vacation where we want a handy guide to identify fish we see.

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