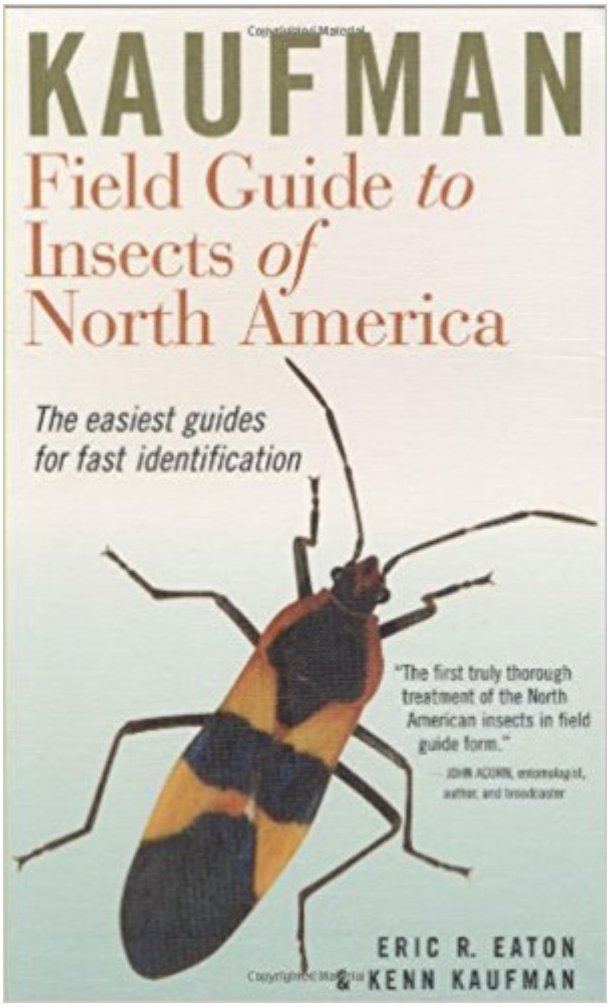
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Synopsis

Comprehensive yet compact, authoritative yet easy to understand, this is the perfect guide for anyone who wants to know more about the fascinating and diverse insects of North America.Ã Â Many insects are difficult even for the experts to identify, but here readers will find a wealth of information on the amazing observable behaviors of insects and their fascinating life histories. Naturalists Kenn Kaufman and Eric R. Eaton use a broad ecological approach rather than overly technical terms, making the book accessible and easy to use. Their lively and engaging text emphasizes the insects that are most likely to draw attention and also includes helpful details on a wide array of lesser-known but recognizable groups. The guide is lavishly illustrated, with more than 2,350 digitally enhanced photographs representing every major group of insects found in North America north of Mexico.Ã Â

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KENN KAUFMAN, originator of the Kaufman Field Guide series, is one of the world’s foremost naturalists.Ã Â Ã Â

This book was a bit of a disappointment as I was hoping it had maps of the range of a certain insect. It allows you to identify an insect but says little about it’s habits, food preferences. A lot of the data is grouped by family and only the scale of the pictures allows good identifications of closely resembled

family members. It’s better than nothing but just barely.

Beautiful colored pictures to stimulate a person’s interest in collecting insects! And the accompanying text tells us whether an insect is good or bad, so that we know whether we should kill it and add it physically to our collection, or to just "capture" it with our camera and put it into our photo album. This information is useful even to someone who is already into collecting insects.

I prefer this guide over the National Audubon Society Field Guide to Insects and Spiders. I have them both (1980 copyright of Audubon) but if I could have only one, it would be Kaufman since in many instances it has more pictures of specific groups than does Audubon. Syphidae: Kaufamn, 40 vs Audubon, 6. Carabidae: Kaufman, 33 vs Audubon, 6. Coccinellidae: Kaufman, 43 vs Audubon 5. Moths and caterpillars as a group, Kaufman, nearly 300 vs Audubon, nearly 150. I suggest you compare the two books at a bookstore to see which fits your needs. Be sure to compare the INDEX of both books. I have not seen the newest edition of Audubon.

This is the best field guide available for the novice or experienced entomologist. The diversity of insects shown are beautifully illustrated and their identifications are accurate. The guide is very user-friendly with different easy ways to access insects by groups, common names, and scientific names. The descriptions, although brief, are very informative and highlight pertinent aspects of the insect groups or individual species being discussed. The authors are to be commended for producing the very first insect guide that enables an individual unfamiliar with entomology to rapidly get at least a good idea of the kind of insect he or she is trying to identify, and with so many common insects illustrated, a specific identification is possible in many cases.

Ready for a gift for my family. It came quickly and well packaged. Within just a couple of days of ordering. Can’t wait to see his smile when he gets this field guide. It’s filled with so much information and great photo’s!

This is a very good insect field guide. I bought it not just only for an entomology class but for personal help and knowledge of good and bad insects.

Amazing book.

Awesome effort. Good overview of the species types and varieties. Too many bugs still left to get into one book. This is recommended for the avid gardener and nature lover.

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