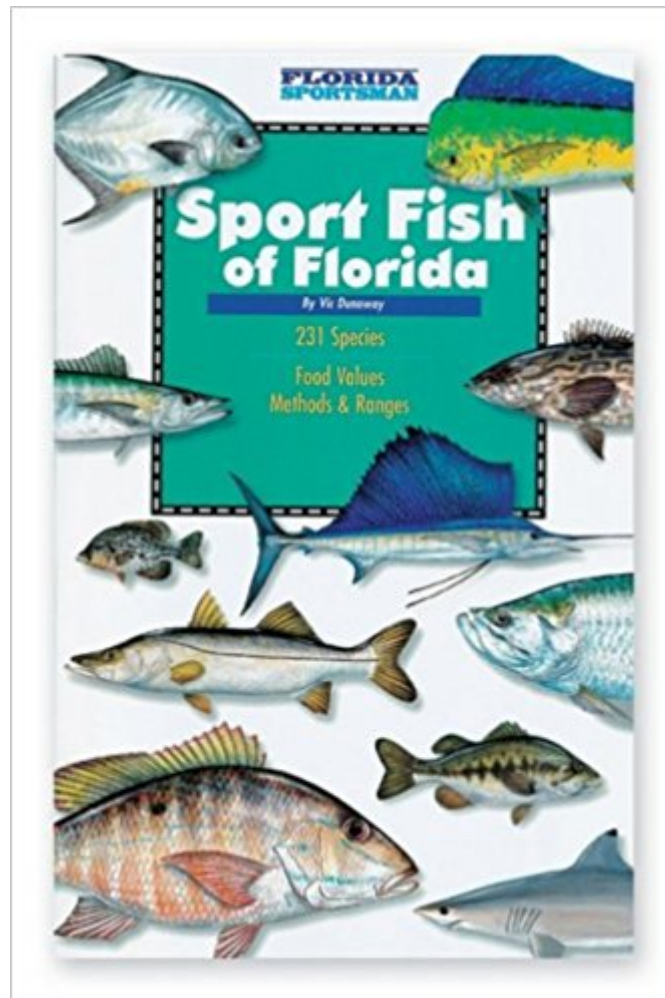


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# Florida Sportsman Sport Fish Of Florida Book



## Synopsis

This handy book features 231 species, all illustrated in full color. Also included for each fish are detailed ranges, habitats, game quality, food quality and record sizes.

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WHAT'S THAT ON MY LINE? "What's the name of this fish anyway?" "Is it good to eat?" Those are two big questions that many thousands of fishermen constantly ask as they encounter the huge variety of fish in Florida's inshore and offshore waters. Until now, there has been no complete, easy-to-use identification guide. Sport Fish of Florida fills that need. All the fish you're likely to catch are shown on these pages. Well over 200 of them. No more guesswork. I.D. information, edibility ratings and other important information are provided by none other than Vic Dunaway, founding editor of Florida Sportsman Magazine. A legend, who really is just that, Vic knows his sport fish like no one else. Sport Fish of Florida also features all original illustrations by Floridian Kevin R. Brant, who carefully produced the images exclusively for this long-awaited book. At Florida Sportsman, we've talked periodically for 20 years about the need for a really helpful guidebook that would show all the key fish and give the salient facts about them for the typical angler. Lo and behold, here it is! We trust that you'll find Sport Fish of Florida to be a helpful companion for your angling days in state and neighboring waters, where the fish are both diverse and delectable. --Karl Wickstrom Publisher, Florida Sportsman Magazine

THE FISHIEST OF AUTHORS If you had to choose one person who knows his Florida fish and how

to catch them better than any other angler of our time, it would have to be Vic Dunaway. Vic's seen virtually all of them, up close, on the end of his fishing line. Moreover, Vic has sampled the culinary value of seemingly every finny thing that swims. In this Sport Fish of Florida book, Vic shares with you his half-century of experience, telling you how to I.D. a fish, how to catch it, where it resides and whether it's good to eat. (You may find that you've been discarding some fish that are actually excellent table fare.) Vic is no snob when it comes to finding good food. We can all benefit from his hard-earned knowledge. As founding editor of Florida Sportsman Magazine, author of best-selling books, contributor to national magazines, and TV personality, Vic is widely acclaimed as the dean of Florida outdoor writers, an expert who plies quiet streams for bluegill one day and searches the seas for marlin the next. His work is illustrated with paintings, especially commissioned for this book, by Kevin R. Brant, a fast-rising artist who also has spent many a year on the Florida waters building a firsthand relationship with the characters he paints. The result is a long-awaited reference book you'll use for all your fishing days.

This is a great book there are a lot of different species in it. It has Saltwater and freshwater fish in it for Florida each fish it describes what it looks like how big or small they can be the quality of the fish for eating its game quality ( like how it fights and how big the fight), what tackle and bait you should use and what fishing systems you should use for that type of fish. It even tells you the range and area the fish lives and its habitat. It would be a excellent book if it was laminated to take on a boat because there is just so much information in it that would be so helpful. Saltwater fish: Croakers , Groupers Snooks, Porgies Flounders, Grunts Favorites without family's, Misc reef fish Jacks, Billfishes Snappers, Mackerels and Tunas Sharks, Rays Mulletts, Mojarra's The tooth and spine bunch Hitchhikers, blowhards, and whatzits and baitfishes Freshwater: Black Bass, Bream and Perch Basses with stripes Catfish, Shads Cichlids, Gars Misc freshwater species I defiantly recommend this book to anyone looking for more knowledge about the fish in the Florida waters it has everything you need to know.

I recently spent 7 days on a boat in the FL keys. We basically fished from dusk till dawn. Though I am an experienced fisher-woman, I can only claim to be experienced in fresh water fishing. I am not from Florida and this was my very first time ever fishing in saltwater! I ordered this book so I can have an idea of what fish I may catch, the bait, eating quality, and habitat. Within these 7 days, my husband I caught 36 different species of fish!!! All of which I instantly threw in my live well, then yanked this book out to figure out what type it is while the fish was recovering in the live well, then

took a picture and set it free! I absolutely loved the fact that I had this book with me and had instant knowledge about these type of fish! I can only recommend anyone to get this book and have it with you at all times. Even though I kept this book as much as possible in a zip lock bag, it did get soaked quite a few times! and the cover was the first thing to tear off. So the ONLY and single reason why I did not give a full 5 stars is because it is just not fit for the rough sea. I understand that the production cost of this book would be much higher if produced in a water resistant way, but I bet with you that ANYONE who ever owned this book, would have no problems spending the extra \$\$!

I used to live in the Keys and worked as a park ranger at one of the state parks there. I fished nearly every day from the Channel 5 Bridge and snorkeled throughout the northern Keys and did a lot of research as to which field guide would help me the most. I found this one to be the most helpful. 1. Easy-to-understand drawings (drawing are often best in guide books rather than photos of individual specimens) 2. Food value (often entertaining) 3. Range information lets people know at what time of year the fish will be running in one area 4. Size information and official records 5. Best method of angling 6. Book is tough enough to be stuffed in and out of a bag, put up with bloodstains, and doesn't fall apart when it gets splashed For fish specific to Florida and the Keys this is a must-have book. Would be great to keep on your boat or carry with your tackle. I ended up writing in it where I had caught each fish and when; now when I look back at it I can remember where I was and what the fight to land the fish was like. Invaluable if you like to fish or if you like fish!

This book has been great for my kids to look up the random fish we catch in Florida, and it helped them get excited about some of the fish we might catch. The binding started to fall apart almost immediately though, and now pages fall out in chunks. It should get 5 star for content and readability for kids, but zero for binding quality.

my go to book for every fish that I've caught. I like it because I can research the different fish, what their habitats are and what the targeted fish will take for bait. And whether or not they are worth eating. I found it very helpful

Very informative

All you want to know about the Bluefin Tuna including the sad story about the freight train of the sea. It is shocking to me that with all the conclusive

information regarding the plight of the bluefin tuna, that I run into many fishermen who simply do not believe it and who treat this fish just as if its numbers are the same today as they were decades ago. What the hell is the matter with people?!

I fish a lot with my kid both in the ocean (near shore and inshore) and we also go for fresh water fishing . The short and concise description (1 page per fish ) are easy to read, just enough info and the drawings of the fish are very good and in Color, not like many other books that are in black and white. I like a lot the "Food Value" comment for each type of fish.

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