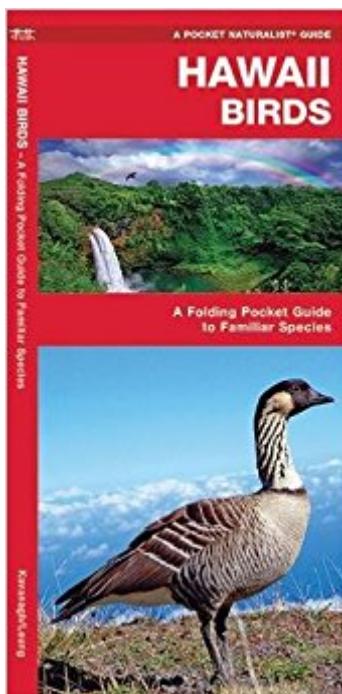


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# Hawaii Birds: A Folding Pocket Guide To Familiar Species (A Pocket Naturalist Guide)



## Synopsis

The Aloha State's diverse habitats are the permanent or migratory home of 336 species of birds, including the state bird - the Nene goose. This beautifully illustrated guide highlights over 140 familiar and unique species and includes a habitat map featuring prominent bird-viewing areas. Laminated for durability, this lightweight, pocket-sized folding guide is an excellent source of portable information and ideal for field use by tourists and residents alike. Made in the USA.

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## Customer Reviews

Hawaii Birds, An Introduction to Familiar Species, is a must-have, reference guide for beginners and experts alike. This guide covers birding hotspots and sanctuaries on Kauai, Oahu, Maui and Hawaii. Whether you're on a nature hike or in your own backyard, you'll want to take along a copy of this indispensable guide. The Pocket Naturalist series is an introduction to common plants and animals and natural phenomena. Each pocket-sized, folding guide highlights up to 150 species and most feature a map highlighting prominent sanctuaries and outstanding natural attractions. Each is laminated for durability.

Zoologist Jim Kavanagh has made a career out of introducing novices to plants, animals, the sciences and world cultures. In addition to creating over 500 simplified nature guides, he has also

authored guides to languages, cities and outdoor skills. An avid traveler and backpacker, Kavanagh's path has taken him around the world to many remote destinations including the upper , Africa, Australia, and the Arctic Circle (and this is just the As). He is also the author of a series of state-specific guides to common species and natural attractions and a children's book on evolution.

I have purchased quite a few of this type of quick reference folding cards over the years, I have them for Hummingbirds of the Western US, Shorebirds of Florida, Arizona Wildlife, Alaskan Birds,ian Birds, etc. Since typical field guides (which I use, study and carry), especially for bird-rich countries, have SO many birds, I use these Pocket Guides as a kind of flash card to make me very familiar with the most common of birds that I might run into. This makes it even easier to identify the rarer birds as you can exclude the common ones quicker. An added benefit of owning one of these is that I can let my non-birding friends (who often accompany me on my trips) use this to identify commonly seen birds as it is not too overwhelming for them. You should see their faces when they identify a bird that they have never seen in their life and then point it out to me! James Kavanagh has authored dozens of these, and not just about birds. He has guides about clouds, trees, insects, you name it. All-in-all I really like them.

This book is an 8x11 glossy fairly thin (easily packable) sturdy paperback with beautiful photos of 80-100 birds you may see on the various islands, along with some descriptive information. In a few days we have identified a dozen or so new birds for us using the book and expect to see many more. If one doesn't have a field guide for Hawaii, this would be an excellent book to purchase.

I recently went on a trip to Hawaii, and, having an interest in birds, I wanted to be able to take an identification guide with me that wouldn't take up too much room. Being a fold-out, laminated thing made out of card-stock, this fit the bill perfectly. I was able to keep it in my purse and didn't have to worry about it getting crushed or ruined by spills. It does have pictures of all the most common birds, as well as their length and some (but not all, which was a bummer) have images of both sexes which is nice. I was lucky enough to spot zebra and spotted doves, a resplendent male red junglefowl (don't let the name fool you, it looks just like your garden-variety chicken), a red-crested cardinal, red-vented bulbul, house finch, common fairy tern, and several others. I didn't get into the rainforest while I was there, but if I did, this guide would come with me. It is a wonderful buy, and even if you don't agree, it's only six dollars. One thing I would like is that there was a little more

information about the birds, but this is after all just a pocket guide.

We're going to Hawaii in a couple of weeks and I want a birding guide that is easy to understand and doesn't take up too much room. This is just the ticket, its not so much a book but rather a folded laminated card that will easily fit in your camera bag, beach bag or, heck, even a bookmark for your favorite beach read. Its an easy to understand guide of illustrated bird life on the islands. Its not like a Petersen's Guide, there are no maps or background, just illustrations of birds and their names, for me, for traveling with on a hike, this is just what I need, I can identify them with this and read about them later in a full field guide. Keep this as your daily companion and you won't be disappointed.

This was soooo helpful on our trip to Maui! It was so great to be able to identify all the different birds we saw! Highly recommend!

Great pictures and of course very portable; six new life birds on this trip! And we weren't birding.

I found this to be a very useful quick for my first trip to Hawaii. It only has one picture of each bird, but at least that narrowed the possibilities down. I then checked with Pratt's "A Field Guide to the Birds of Hawaii and the Tropical Pacific" to be more sure, but the folding guide helped considerably about 95% of the time.

Not all the birds I was looking for

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