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For a brief period I worked with the author given in the past we were both National Marine Fisheries Service Fishery Biologists serving at the Kodiak laboratories in Kodiak, Alaska. Consequently, I can assure anyone that wants a more or less definitive work on the saltwater fishes of Alaska this publication is a signature publication. Moreover, the quality of the content is of the highest granted Mr. Kessler is a scientist and taxonomist without equal. A rating of five stars for this publication would be an understatement.

After combing the beach for years- especially at low tide, curiosity overcame me and I went to the local Fish and Game office. They showed me a stack of referenceguide books they had. Most were inches thick. Not very practical for an enthusiast beach walker. I wanted something for the casual

observer, not avid marine biologist. I have been thrilled with this book. It has a very simple layout with lots of diagrams, drawings and pictures. It is soft cover and medium size and weight- we can carry it with us on the beach. The first night I took it to the beach I was able to identify at least 6 unknown marine creatures previously unobserved before! If you are interested in what is living/ moving around in the tide pools and under the rocks on a beach in SE Alaska, this book is a must. It is fairly thorough and well laid out with plenty of drawings and pictures. The descriptions are basic and written in plain english. It is probably a bit light on info for an avid biologist. My family and I, as enthusiast beach walkers, are very happy with this guide and have used it extensively since we got it.

Includes color photos & excellent descriptions of fish (both commercial / game species and other fish), along with crabs, clams, snails, shrimp, star fish, sea worms, etc. Wide-ranging, it is a great book for fishermen, beach combers, & all those interested in sea life. Well written in can be easily understood for folks without a science background, but with enough detail to be of use to those with a biology degree

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