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The Burgess Bird Book For Children (Dover Children's Classics)





Synopsis

Parents, teachers, and young readers all over the world have enthusiastically welcomed the Dover reprints of Thornton Burgess's classic nature books, including the perennial bestseller, The Adventures of Peter Cottontail. In the present volume, the author's goal of introducing children to the fascinating subject of bird life is brilliantly realized in story fashion. While "interviewing" Slaty the Junco, Redwing the Blackbird, Melody the Wood Thrush, Spooky the Screech Owl, and dozens of other common birds, our guides, Peter Rabbit and saucy Jenny Wren $\tilde{A}c\hat{a} \neg \hat{a} \cdot$ and, of course, the reader $\tilde{A}c\hat{a} \neg \hat{a} \cdot$ learn about their physical appearances, eating and nesting habits, and songs and calls. Over eighty years after its first publication, the book remains noteworthy and valuable for its extraordinarily successful blend of information and entertainment.

Book Information

Series: Dover Children's Classics Paperback: 272 pages Publisher: Dover Publications (April 23, 2003) Language: English ISBN-10: 0486428400 ISBN-13: 978-0486428406 Product Dimensions: 5.8 x 0.6 x 8.4 inches Shipping Weight: 10.4 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 3.9 out of 5 stars 81 customer reviews Best Sellers Rank: #17,581 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #12 in Â Books > Science & Math > Biological Sciences > Animals > Birds & Birdwatching > Field Guides #16 inà Â Books > Science & Math > Nature & Ecology > Field Guides #55 inà Â Books > Science & Math > Nature & Ecology > Fauna Age Range: 8 - 14 years Grade Level: 3 - 8

Customer Reviews

Author and conservationist Thornton W. Burgess (1874 \tilde{A} ¢ $\hat{a} \neg \hat{a}$ œ1965) wrote thousands of animal stories for children, starting with the 1910 publication of Old Mother West Wind. Burgess's tales convey his fascination with wildlife and his concern for nature, teaching gentle lessons about ecology and respect for the environment.

The kindle version of this book seems to have reproductions of the original illustrations - in color. We really enjoy the addition of these... It really adds to the written descriptions of the birds. Not all birds in the book have a corresponding illustration - but most of them do.As far as the writing and content, we loved it. My son (just turned 6) had developed an interest in birds, so when I saw this book - I thought it would be a great way to learn more about them, get our nightly reading in, and begin the switch to some chapter books. This book worked great for all three of those purposes. I also love the values/character the book blends in. It had made us big Burgess fans... We are on to the Seashore book now. :)

I expected beautiful pictures throughout the book to help hold my kids attention. All this copy had is a few black and white photos. Disappointing.

I bought this book for my 1st grade son and couldn't put it down myself! I thoroughly enjoyed this literary nature study. The language isn't difficult for young readers, and yet in no way does it talk down to them either. My son learned so much that I didn't even realize he had retained. Many times now we will be walking outside and he will point out something in nature that we read about in the book. Delightful book for all ages!

Check you edition, folks. This one has no pictures. That's supposed to be the big draw of burgess, and the pictures ate not here :-(

Excellent book. Happy to find the one that i was looking for. By creating a narrative storyline for each of the birds, the author has made the learning so much easier for the kids. The language is simple and very humorous for the little ones to remember for long time. I would recommend for any parent who is willing to read this to their 4-10yr old kids.

One of our favorite books! I started reading this each night to my 4 & 9 year old boys at bedtime. They both enjoy it very much. My 4 year old even has a stuffed toy bird, albeit not a Wren, that he has named Jenny Wren and carries her every where!

Anything by T. W. Burgess is wonderful! My mom read them to me; I read them to my children; and now we are reading them to the grandchildren. They can't get enough!

The stories are very sweet, of course. But I bought this for my granddaughter to teach her more about birds. The illustrations are all in a fuzzy, non-contrast black and white. I assumed they would be in color as in the original.

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