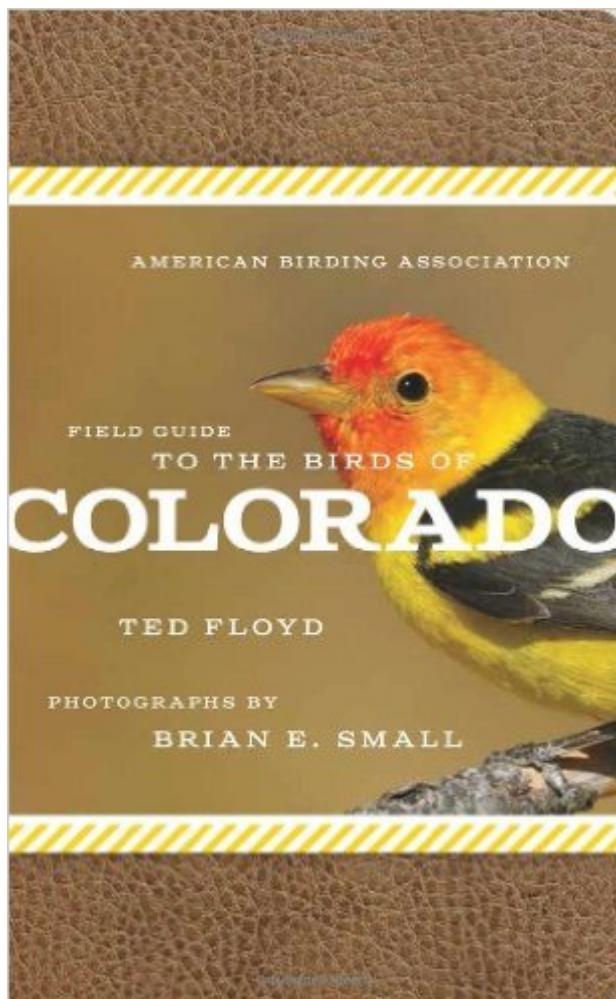


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From the tiny rufous hummingbird to the majestic bald eagle, Colorado is home to more than 496 types of birds, making it one of the finest birding destinations in the world. Preserved habitats created by local, state, and national authorities have helped foster and protect nesting sites for hundreds of species, 235 of which are featured in their natural habitats, from Great Plains to Rocky Mountains, in this ornithological guide. The birds are organized by type from waterfowl to finches and appear in beautiful color photographs accompanied by clear and concise introductions, identification tips, and habitat and birdsong descriptions. The book also includes a complete state bird checklist and a directory of birding destinations, making this field guide the perfect companion for anyone interested in learning more about the natural history of Colorado and the diversity of the state's birds and where to see them.

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BASICS: flexcover; an attractive photo guide to 298 (90%) of the species routinely seen in Colorado; half of the birds are shown with 2-3 good photos; photos show the adult breeding plumages of the male and female for the more common species and the male for some of the less common; one paragraph of material for each of the more common birds covers descriptions of the bird, habitat preference, some habits, and sounds with only 1-2 sentences for the less common; a short sentence of identification notes is used as a legend with each photo; good guide for the newer

birder wanting to focus on just the birds of Colorado
REVIEW: This is the second of at least four bird books planned to focus on a single US state (New Jersey, Colorado, Florida, Massachusetts). It appears the primary focus of these books is to focus on not just the birds of a particular state but, those that are more likely to be seen. This tactic will help the newer birder become acquainted with the more common birds while avoiding the potential confusion of the other 200 species not likely to be seen. Like this book's predecessor (New Jersey), the highlight of what is inside is the selection of 491 color photographs that show 298 species. This accounts for about 90% of the birds routinely seen in Colorado and 60% of all species ever documented in the state. As typical for the quality photography of Brian Small, there are some excellent photos within this book that will be both enjoyable to examine and useful to identify the birds. Each of the birds is shown with 1-3 photographs. The selection of photos varies in size from a stunning half-page to a smaller shot that barely covers 10% of the page.

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