

BIRD BOOKS

We are fortunate in having a great range of books available on Australian Native Birds. Quite a few cover all birds in Australia while many others specialise on a species or family.

Below is a list of the common field guides. All have some merit but you will need to consider size and weight as well as content, if you intend carrying it.

Michael Morcombe - Field Guide to Australian Birds. Well set out. Good illustrations of birds in flight.

Graham Pizzey & Frank Knight - The Field Guide to the Birds of Australia. Comprehensive text.

Simpson & Day - Field Guide to the Birds of Australia. Good illustrations, but not aligned with text.

Slater, Peter - The Slater Field Guide to Australian Birds of Australia. Good text and illustrations. Small, compact format.

Donald Trounson - Australian Birds. A Concise Photographic Guide. Text & Photos are in separate sections. Harder to use.

Reader's Digest Complete Book of Australian Birds. Large and comprehensive. Use at home.

Wildlife of Greater Brisbane. A Queensland Museum Publication. Describes many birds of the Brisbane area as well as other animals and insects. Brief descriptions.

Which book/s to buy is a personal preference? You may need more than one. Slater is the easiest to carry, but some of the others contain more information.