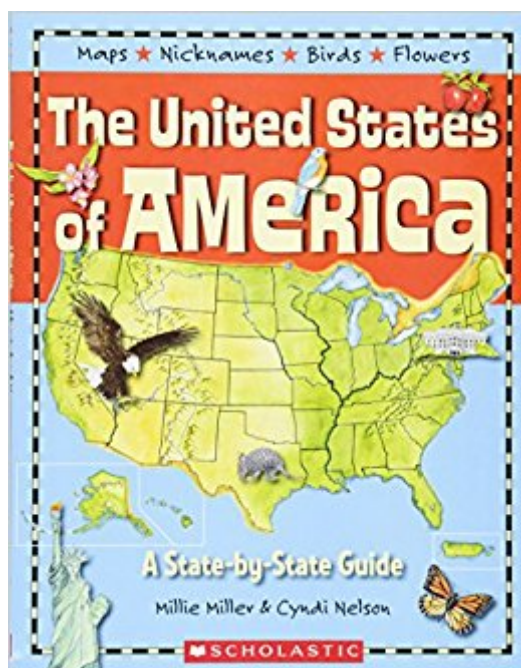


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# The United States Of America: A State-by-State Guide



## Synopsis

This portable state-by-state guide, superbly illustrated in watercolor, identifies each state's official state bird, flower, and insect along with other fun facts and points of interest. This book exhibits all of the diversity of the American states even as it ties the country into one awesome entity. The authors' inclusion of endangered species, biographical sketches on the famous Americans from each state, inventions, resources, records, and so much more make this a unique and multi-dimensional work. But it is the art and the treatment of the information that makes this book so special. With a light-handed, fresh approach, and tremendous respect for their subject, the author-artists succeed in painting a truly beautiful portrait of America.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Grade 3-5-This browser's scrapbook presents impressionistic portraits of the states arranged in alphabetical order with Washington, DC, Puerto Rico, and a spread of state flags appended. A large, lightly labeled map provides the visual center for each page, around which are arrayed handsomely painted vignettes illustrating fact snippets that range from state birds, trees, and population (as of 1998) to prominent landforms, citizens, and endangered species. The states are all colored green, which gives the book visual unity at the expense of strict accuracy, and many of the facts have been pared down to dry generalities: "Pirates terrorized the Carolina coast in

1717-1718," "Homemade quilts, clothes, and furniture are traditional [in West Virginia]," etc. The method behind the authors' selection of information is sometimes unclear (only 17 Presidents are mentioned); the index, which includes a listing for "Paul Bunyon" [sic] and page references for 53 state birds, is of doubtful quality; and there are no lists of sources or resources for readers who want to find out more. Still, children compiling their own scrapbooks might start here. John Peters, New York Public Library Copyright 1999 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I teach Kindergarten, and wanted a fun way to learn something different AND tie it in with Dr. Seuss. I created a bulletin board/door decoration with the title, "Oh, The Places You'll Go When You Read Across America!". How we did this was to "discover" 2 states in our country every day. This book was awesome! It gave interesting facts about each state. It provided a detailed map of each state, showing land forms and bodies of water. The states were presented in alphabetical order, which was an added bonus. This was one of my best purchases to date!

We're starting our unit on the 50 states, and I like the layout of this book. It's done alphabetically, with some quick facts about each state. The border around the US map in the front lists the states and their abbreviations, each state page has the common "have to know" facts such as capital and bird/flower/what have you, but they also include some really fun facts. They tell of extinct species, what's unique to each state, ancient dwellers, and other "hmmm...I didn't know that" stuff. I really like having this book for my kids to peruse and use in their studies.

This is a great book on the States! My 7 year old son loves it!

My seven year old has been seriously interested in learning about states, so I purchased this on a whim. She loves it! It arrived in great condition, and is very colorful. She loves to read all the interesting tidbits about the states. We also purchased a states coloring book to go along with this. We will read a state a day, and then color in the matching state in our book. It has been a fun way for her to learn about the states, especially those that we used to live in, or are moving to in the future.

love this! each state gets its own page with the normal info of capitals, state birds, flowers, flags and such but also little fun facts regarding the state as well. we have been studying all the states this

summer with our 8 year old. He goes through and picks the flag that he likes the best and then we learn all about that particular state. There are even things that I, as an adult, am learning about the different states too. Great price for a book packed with fun and informative info

for grandson

loved it

I bought this book to use as a tutor a Mexican woman in English and our culture. I would have preferred it if it weren't so busy looking. Also, I don't think she really cares about state birds and flowers. I was just trying to share a few items to differentiate each state and make it come alive for her. This book will help, but it's not perfect for my needs.

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