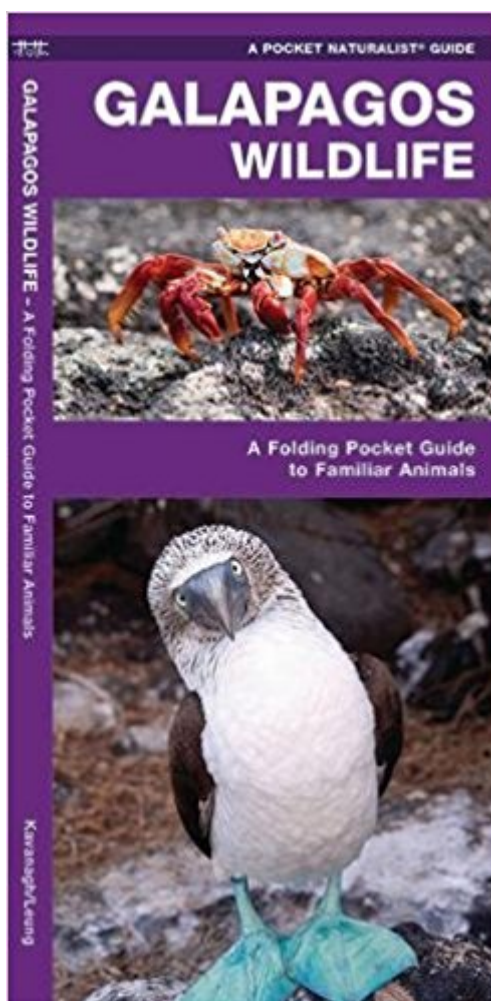


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# Galapagos Wildlife: A Folding Pocket Guide To Familiar Animals (A Pocket Naturalist Guide)



## Synopsis

One of the most unique ecosystems in the world, the Galapagos Islands feature a bizarre diversity of wildlife, with many species endemic to the islands. This beautifully illustrated guide highlights over 140 familiar and unique species of mammals, birds, reptiles, fishes, seashore creatures and butterflies/insects. Also features a unique map that shows the location of the top 10 most sought-after species including the Galapagos tortoise and the flightless cormorant. Laminated for durability, this lightweight, pocket-sized folding guide is an excellent source of portable information and ideal for field use by eco-tourists visiting the islands. Made in the USA.

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## Customer Reviews

Galapagos Wildlife, An Introduction to Familiar Species, is a must-have reference guide for beginners and experts alike. This guide provides a simplified introduction to species that are familiar, widespread and/or unique to the Galapagos Islands. The Pocket Traveller Eco-Travel Guides provide simplified reference to the prominent wildlife species of the world's most popular eco-tourism destinations. Each pocket-sized, folding guide identifies up to 150 species of common and unique animals in each area and most feature a map highlighting natural vegetation zones. Each is laminated for durability. (31/2 X 8 1/4 folded, opens to 22 X 8 1/4, color illustrations, map)

Zoologist Jim Kavanagh has made a career out of introducing novices to plants, animals, the sciences and world cultures. In addition to creating over 500 simplified nature guides, he has also authored guides to languages, cities and outdoor skills. An avid traveler and backpacker, Kavanagh's path has taken him around the world to many remote destinations including the upper , Africa, Australia, and the Arctic Circle (and this is just the As). He is also the author of a series of state-specific guides to common species and natural attractions and a children's book on evolution.

I am currently watching a documentary on the Galápagos Islands and bought this little guide to see what it is like. At the back is a stylised map with the different islands and where you are likely to see what wild life-- I liked the map and its information. The guide is a number of illustrations per page of mainly Reptiles and Birds. The illustrations are in colour and reasonable. You are told the name of the creature and its length or height. One pointer for identification may be given. The birds are males , usually in breeding plumage. Some will like this little work, others not. I personally liked it ( I wouldn't use it as my only guide to the Galápagos Wildlife ) For me it filled a need for quick identification. I think it is worth the money

When I was in the Galapagos I used this every day. When I came home and made a photo album I referred to it constantly for my commentary on which bird or animal was which. It's so convenient because it's so compact and lightweight. It holds up well because it's laminated. For a serious birder, it might not be quite adequate. I'm not in that category so it was perfect for me. I just wanted the basics and there was nothing I couldn't find.

A pretty comprehensive, fold-out guide to the most common wildlife in the Galapagos. It's water-resistant, which is good for those who will be snorkeling or diving. One whole side is devoted to birds, which is great considering the numbers and diversity of species among the islands. For most travelers, this is probably sufficient if you're with a good naturalist guide.

This is an excellent guide that I wished I had known about and purchased before visiting the Galapagos. Highly recommended to take when going to the enchanting and fascinating Galapagos Islands!

This laminated, folded reference for the species you are likely to encounter in a trip to the

Galapagos Islands is excellent. The pictures are very realistic, plus it includes the Latin names so that you can cross-reference the animal to a detailed guidebook or reference later. There are even short notes, such as "The similar Santa Fe land iguana is found only on Santa Fe Island" (if you are lucky enough to get to Santa Fe Island!). As our recent trip to the Galapagos included snorkeling (and yours might too), I greatly appreciated the page on Nearshore Fishes.

If you are going to the Galapagos this is a must. Pictures are very accurate as to colors and sizes. I found other pocket guides for just birds, or marine life, etc, but this is by far the best compilation. I used it every day I was on the islands.

This was perfect for our trip to Galapagos w our kids. I brought a sharpie w me and they could check off all the animals they saw.

Excellent. Good images, well organized.

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