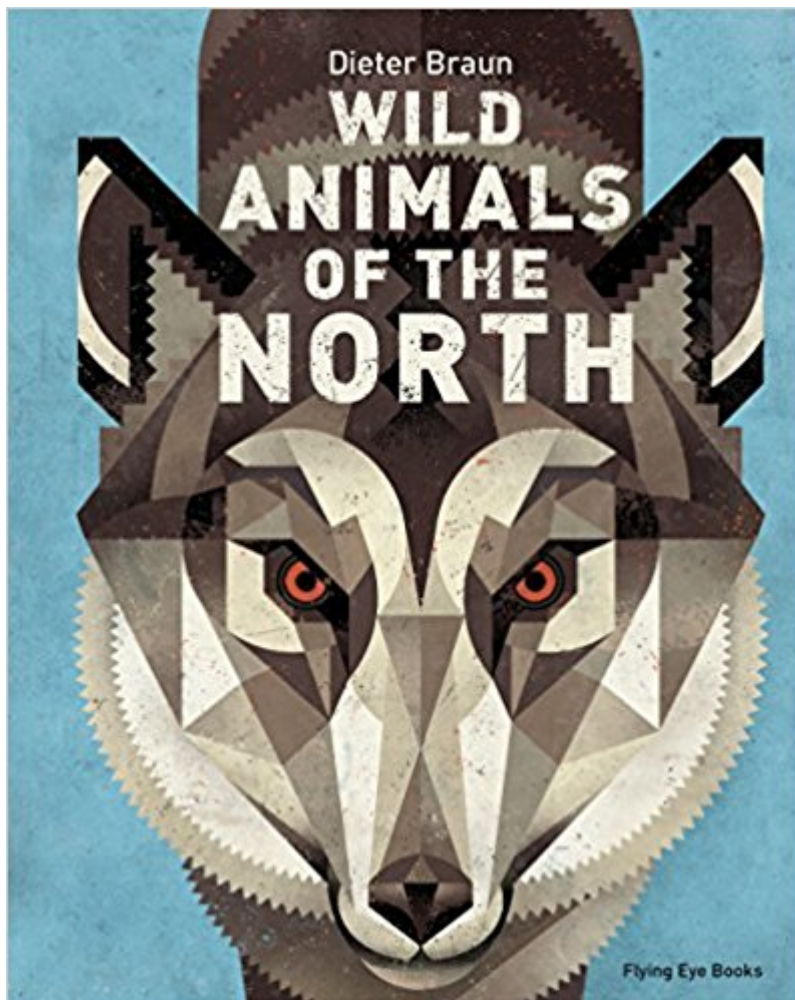


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# Wild Animals Of The North



## Synopsis

The first in a pair of illustrated books covering the animals of the world, *Wild Animals of the North* features Dieter Braun's beautiful drawings of northern animals accompanied by fun facts and clever descriptions that children will love! From the polar bears of the Arctic to the North American pumas and pandas in Asia, *Wild Animals of the North* takes children on an exciting journey of discovery. The stunning and accurate drawings show these animals in all their natural majesty and the witty and charming descriptions will teach children all about their new favorite animals! Dieter Braun is a freelance illustrator and children's book author from Hamburg, Germany.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten and up

## Customer Reviews

Gr 1-4 • Braun's illustrations make for an attractive presentation on animals native to the Northern Hemisphere. Each creature is illustrated in either action or repose; in their natural environment or set against a solid-color background. Short paragraphs detail certain attributes or traits; however, only some of the featured animals receive this treatment. This inconsistency is questionable, as readers will surely want to know about the red panda or the compass jellyfish as much as the fire salamander. The inclusion of vocabulary words like deciduous without a glossary, the use of Briticisms, and the lack of sources listed limit this title's usefulness for reports and

independent reading. — young readers will likely need adult assistance. Furthermore, the picture index is not organized alphabetically but by the order in which the creatures appear in the text. Nonetheless, the color, design, and detail all make Braun's work delightful; the text and the illustrations meld with liveliness and a touch of humor (the Pileated Woodpecker can peck on wood all day "without getting a headache"). Front papers and endpapers peppered with claws and paw prints round out this decorative volume. VERDICT Braun's artwork is an absolute treat, but because of the spotty coverage and the format, those using this book will likely require adult assistance. — Nancy Call, Santa Cruz Public Libraries, Aptos, CA

Big, beautiful and biologically accurate, this compendium of 80 wild creatures from the Northern Hemisphere will impress animal and art lovers of all ages. [133] Readers will return to this lush encyclopedia over and over [133] Exquisite illustrations of Northern Hemisphere animals--many endangered--are accompanied by enthralling facts in this dazzling, oversized volume. [151] Shelf Awareness, STARRED REVIEW It's a beautiful book with cubist-tinged illustrations that both thrill with their dynamism and soothe with their muted colors and slightly abstracted shapes. [151] The Wall Street Journal Dieter Braun's Wild Animals of the North is a most beautiful illustrated guide to some of the great animals that live in the northern hemisphere including polar bear from the Arctic, pandas from Asia and pumas from North America. The captivating, large scale illustrations accurately show the animals in their natural habitats while the text adds a lively description of each backed up by some entertaining 145; fun facts. [151] The Guardian The skillful integration of artistry and naturalistic detail makes this a striking addition to a child's wildlife library [...] [151] Publishers Weekly Chock full of beautiful illustrations, Wild Animals of the North takes readers on a tour of the colder regions of North America, Asia, and Europe to view some of the animal inhabitants of those ecosystems. [151] American Scientist The draw here is the imagery: gorgeous, geometrically stylized silkscreenlike digital portraits [133] Amazing art makes this a browser's delight [133] [151] Kirkus Reviews German illustrator Braun's compendium of the northern hemisphere's wildlife is beautiful to behold. [133] its exceptional illustrations will foster admiration for the creatures inhabiting its pages. [151] Booklist Braun has packed it from start to finish with colorful illustrations and captivating information about a rich array of species. [151] Children's Literature Four Stars [...] This is a beautifully illustrated introduction to over 80 species. [151] Youth Services Book Review From the polar bears of the Arctic to the North American pumas and pandas in Asia, Wild Animals of the North takes children on an exciting journey of discovery. The stunning drawings show these animals

in all their natural majesty. Grain Edit Even readers with no interest in animals will love this book for its illustrations. They create movement and bring the animals to life. Amazing. Emily Harris, Siouxland Libraries Beautifully designed and illustrated [...] Every reader is sure to be interested in each of the pages for its sleek forms and earth-toned images. I would love to have one (or more) on the wall in my house. Sal's Fiction Addiction [Wild Animals of the North] is thick and bursting with gorgeous prism-styled illustrations and interesting information. Book Nerd Mommy

I have always loved having great artwork books about animals and sciences which I keep on the coffee table. This is one of the best that I have found. The artwork is original by Dieter Braun. Something about his style brings to mind the beautiful artwork of the late Charley Harper. Mr. Braun's animals are instantly recognizable even though they are done in an abstract fashion with straight lines and hard angles. The subject of the book is animals that are indigenous to the northern hemisphere with the book separated into sections by continent: North America, Europe and Asia. Each animal is given a minimum of one page for illustration/description though many are spread across two pages. There is an index at the back of the book which also includes a color thumbnail of each animal as well as their common name and scientific name. The animals included in the book are: North America - Puma, Bald Eagle, Kodiak Bear, Mountain Goat, Orca, Polar Bear, Seal, Blue-Footed Booby, Wolf, Chipmunk, Grey Squirrel, Bison, American Lobster, Monarch Butterfly, Texas Rattlesnake, Coyote, Elk, Sea Otter, Long-Tailed Duck, King Eider, Striped Skunk, Pronghorn Antelope, Raccoon, Reindeer, Canadian Beaver, Long-Tailed Weasel, Turkey, Pileated Woodpecker, Walrus and Puffin. Europe - Red Fox, Compass Jellyfish, Grey Heron, Roe Deer, Barn Owl, Squirrel, European Badger, White Stork, Wild Boar, Hedgehog, White Swan, Black Swan, Fire Salamander, Iberian Lynx, Peregrine Falcon, European Mouflon, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Brown Hare, Wood Grouse, Red Deer, Northern Bald Ibis, European Bison, Moose and Crane. Asia - Snow Leopard, Giant Panda, Japanese Macaque, Great Black Cormorant, Red Panda, Yak, Musk Deer, Musk Ox, Golden Pheasant, Przewalski's Horse, Dalmation Pelican, Asian Black Bear, Saiga, Markhor, Alpine Hair, Arctic Fox, Ermine, Mandarin Duck, Golden Monkey, Bottnose Dolphin, Camel, Manul, Japanese Serow, Mouflon, Sperm Whale and Wolverine.

Framed some of the pictures for the playroom! The book is well thought out in the way that the large scale prints are double sided so taking out those pages are not a hinderance on the actual reading

of the book and there for are not missed.

This is an awesome book!

The pictures are cool. The book has orcas which my son likes.

Wonderful book"

Great book, excellent illustrations.

Illustrations are amazing

This is a gorgeous book, easily sending other little-reader animal books to the back of the class. We have a lot of baby/toddler/rug-rat animal books, including ones with basic stock photos, ones with high end wildlife photos, and ones with various cartoony animal drawings. You never know which one will catch a kid's eye and interest, and variety is a good thing. But this book just struck me as being in a different animal/critter world. The modern, slightly impressionistic, highly stylized, drawings are arresting. Moreover, they capture a great deal of the personality and dignity of the individual animals. I just didn't expect an early reader animal book to feature illustrations with such character and impact. The animals presented here have real presence. There are many animals represented. (The index lists about 80.) Half of them get a paragraph or two of description; the rest just appear as drawings. The text is engaging in an odd sort of way. It's informative, but in an unpredictable and idiosyncratic fashion. You might learn about a creature's habits, or its distribution, or the fact that the Mongolian horse has one more rib than do other horses. This cheerfully haphazard approach to "facts" actually adds a great deal to the book's charm. The vocabulary is adult, so the text also invites a child reader to step up a bit in comprehension. That fits with the overall feel of the book and helps to distinguish it as an elegant and special project. So, I was quite taken by this book, and would be happy to afford it a special place on the family book shelf. A nice find. (Please note that I received a free advance will-self-destruct-in-x-days Adobe Digital copy of this book in exchange for a candid review. Apart from that I have no connection at all to either the author or the publisher of this book.)

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