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Jim Foster : Birding Trails Texas Gulf Coast before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Birding Trails Texas Gulf Coast:

6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. mis-identified bird photos By wrenTit This book gets my lowest rating because it is full of mis-identified bird photos, it fails to provide detailed information for almost every site, and it lacks maps to most sites. Many photos have incorrect identifications: p.69 Savannah Sparrow shown, not song sparrow as written p.111 Vermilion Flycatcher, not scarlet tanager as written p.169 Northern Shoveler, not "Northern Spoonbill"

that is actually a funny mistakep 184 Palm Warbler, not Yellow Warblerp. 294 Chihuahuan Raven, not American Crow.p. 342 Immature Black-crowned Night-heron, not American Bittern p. 400 Red-tailed Hawk, not Rough-legged Hawk p. 437 White-tipped Dove, not White-fronted Dove (there is no such name used)p 482 Great Horned Owl, not Eastern Screech Owl p 523 Forster's Tern, not common tern p. 530 Eastern Meadowlark, not Western Meadowlark. The other guidebooks that cover the Texas Coast have much better detail; I had a hard time finding anything good to say about this book, and I feel like I wasted my money=got ripped off. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Birds of the Texas Gulf want you! By bogometer We drove the gulf coast birding and this book was very helpful 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Perfect TX Birding Book By Birder This book is perfect for Birders visiting Texas. It concisely tells you what you can expect to see in specific areas, and give great details on how to get there. We visited Texas for the first time in Mar 2014, and it was invaluable in allowing us to set up an itinerary for what we wanted to see. My compliments to the author.

The Texas Gulf Coast is one of the most outstanding birding locations in North America. From whooping cranes to sandhill cranes, ducks, geese, raptors and the hundreds of song birds that migrate every year to the Texas Gulf make this a birder's paradise. There are numerous public sites that make for easy birding. Each year, during the last week of February, there is a Whooping Crane Festival in Port Aransas and Mustang Island that attracts thousands of birders. It features workshops, demonstrations, speakers, and many guided birding trips to local birding locations. Jim Foster is a noted birder. He describes each birding trail with a list of key birds, the best time of year to visit each trail, the type of terrain, size, and complete directions to each area, many with maps of each trail. Texas is one of the four best birding states in the U.S. with over 2.5 million resident birders and thousands of non-resident birders who visit the state each year. Currently there are over 51 million birders in the United States and over 20 million travel out of their state each year to view birds. Birding Trails Texas: Gulf Coast is a must book for all birders.

The ambitious Great Texas Coastal Birding Trail was the first completed by Texas Parks and Wildlife, and a huge success, followed by trails in the state's four other regions. Birder Jim Foster described two (Panhandle Plains, and Prairies and Pineywoods) in an earlier volume in the Birding Trails Texas series. Here he provides descriptions, bird lists, best times to visit and GPS coordinates and driving directions for no fewer than 261 coastal locations, from Louisiana to Mexico. --Birdwatching Magazine, June 2014 About the Author Jim Foster, a native Texan now living in Salmon, Idaho is a full-time photographer/writer specializing in nature, the environment, lifestyles, travel, and adventure travel. His stock file of birds numbers well over 36,000 images. His photographic images have appeared in national as well as regional magazines, newspapers and books in this country, Great Britain, and Europe.