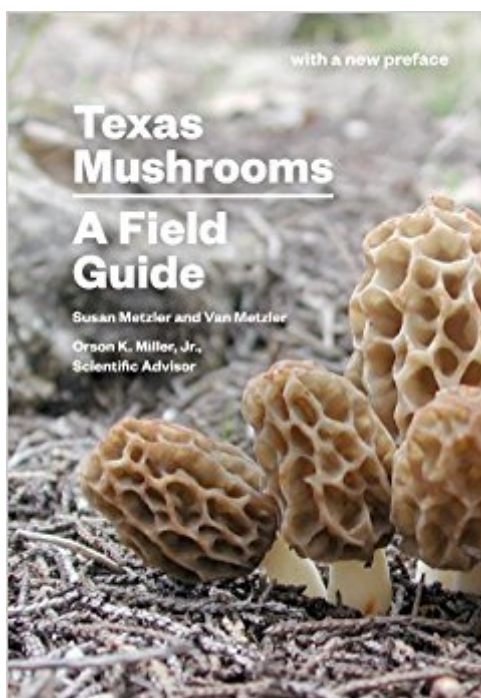


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# Texas Mushrooms: A Field Guide (Corrie Herring Hooks Series)



## Synopsis

Hundreds of species of mushrooms flourish in Texas, from the desert and semiarid regions of West Texas to the moist and acid soils of East Texas, where species that can also be found in South America live alongside those that might be spotted in Malaysia and Europe. *Texas Mushrooms* was the first and is still the only guide to all of the state's mushrooms. This colorful, easy-to-follow book will surprise and delight uninitiated nature enthusiasts while also supplying the experienced mushroom hunter with expert identification information. Excellent color photographs and precise descriptions of over 200 species will enable the mushroom hunter—even the amateur—to make quick, careful, easy distinctions between the edible varieties and the potentially toxic ones. In addition, kitchen-tested recipes are included, along with charts giving spore sizes and a list of recommended further reading. In Texas, mushroom hunting can be a year-round, state-wide activity, and with this enticing field guide, collecting, identifying, and preparing wild mushrooms will become an activity the entire family can enjoy while appreciating the beauty of Texas from a new and fascinating angle.

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## Customer Reviews

So it's easy to recommend *Texas Mushrooms* to any [reader] who travels to Texas, especially since it's the only field guide to Texas mushrooms. The book definitely has some Texas swagger: from the assertion that mushroom-hunting in Texas is a year-round activity to pride in the diversity of mushrooms in East Texas to the recipe for Texas-hot Pickled Mushrooms. The tone

of the book is informal; this is the friendliest mushroom field guide I've encountered. (Patricia McNaught New Jersey Mycological Association 2013-07-01)

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The book itself is excellent for identifying purposes. Kudos to the author. The publisher on the other hand gets a thumbs down for charging \$35 for a book printed in china as stated on the back of the book. I have had this book 4 months and with moderate use it is literally falling apart at the seams. So much for be labeled a "field guide" where you would expect it to hold up to being carried around in a backpack. If you purchase expect it to fall apart no matter if you keep it on a shelf as I do or carry it around for a "field guide".

It's an okay guide. I mostly purchased it because I hoped it would have information more specific to Texas, such as which parts of Texas have what mushrooms. It does describe the habitats each mushrooms prefer, but that is only helpful to people already familiar with the different environments in Texas. I was expecting something more like fossil-hunting guides, which are organized by different regions. What I got from this guide is that Texas has a bazillion mushrooms, even non-native species, because Texas has a wide range of environments. So it came off as more of an abridged version of a general mushroom guide.

Everything you could ask for out of an identification book as far as Texas goes. Its not as descriptive as the National Audubon Societies book, but I think that's a good thing. I carry them both anyways but most of the time I am just looking for a quick description to identify in the field and this book hasn't let me down but once out of 4 weekends of exploring. But some of the mushrooms that flow through east Texas are random so I expected to see more that weren't identified in the Texas mushroom book, but it proved me wrong. Solid 5

This book is so easy to use to learn about the various mushrooms you are likely to find in the various Texas ecosystems. I was so happy when it was made available (again) and rescued from its apparent obscurity (it had been in the dreaded land of "out-of-print" for several years). I highly recommend this book to anyone, whether you are a forager or just interested in the natural world

around you. Since I live in Texas, I don't have any idea if it will be useful to folks outside Texas, but I must say that the Missouri website about edible mushrooms helped me find my first puffball mushrooms in central Texas (Bastrop County), so it may be useful in all parts of the central southwest.

Really gets into the mushrooms of east Texas. Great guide.

I used it to help identify mushrooms for a mycology class. More often than not it didn't have the mushrooms I was looking for. All the mushrooms were picked out of my yard in Texas, but had trouble identifying all of them with this book. This book has great pictures though. *Mushrooms Demystified* is a better purchase.

I am an avid shroomer from the NW. My family all live in the hill country of Texas. For years I would get picture after picture after email about what they would find when the rains came. This year I got this for my brother as a present. He does not call as much and I am wondering if that is good or bad. Either way, he is tickled with the book and claims to be becoming an expert on Texas shroomage. Great buy. Arrived on time during the Christmas chaos.

alot of color photos and good descriptions, though most of the mushrooms described in the book are either deadly or not yet determined as deadly. good book for those that want to know what that thing that sprouted in thier yard is.

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