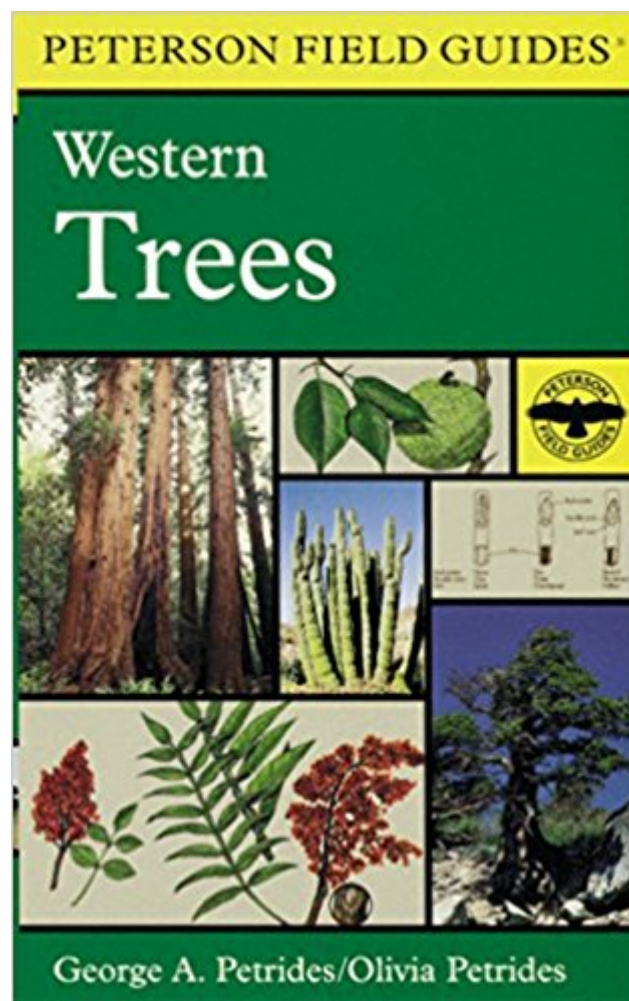




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An authoritative book that includes every tree that grows wild in western North America, including Alaska. Using the unique system of identification employed in the author's other tree books, the 387 trees of the region are divided into six major groups according to conspicuous characteristics. Within those categories, trees that look alike are brought together and compared in text and illustration, regardless of whether they are related or not. The color plates, beautifully painted by Olivia Petrides, the author's daughter and Adjunct Associate Professor at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, emphasize details that may not be present or clearly visible in a photograph. Differences between trees that resemble each other are also listed in distinctive comparison charts. With range maps, keys, descriptions, and illustrations, the user can identify trees at any season, even when without leaves. Technical terminology is converted into plain English. The values of trees and their use by wildlife, Native Americans, and campers also are discussed. -- From the Author

Roger Tory Peterson, one of the world's greatest naturalists, received every major award for

ornithology, natural science, and conservation as well as numerous honorary degrees, medals, and citations, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom. The Peterson Identification System has been called the greatest invention since binoculars. These editions include updated material by Michael O'Brien, Paul Lehman, Bill Thompson III, Michael DiGiorgio, Larry Rosche, and Jeffrey A. Gordon.

Great field guide to trees located in the Western United States. colored plates and loaded with detailed information, terrific price point, wonderful service, quick delivery....Will check other such buys !!

no pictures- I was looking for a tree for my backyard. If you understand all the technical info you will probably love this book, for me I just wanted what it looks like and height, the basics

I still can't identify trees

By far the best book I've found for identifying trees when out in the bush (and I've seen a lot of them over the years); great photos, illustrations, ID methodologies, and maps. Descriptions get right down to the details one needs for trees you're unfamiliar with.

Excellent book just moved to Washington State

Unlike his birds masterpiece this is of little use. It is mostly generalizations and bad photos.

Excellent guide to identifying trees and shrubs in the western part of the continent.

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