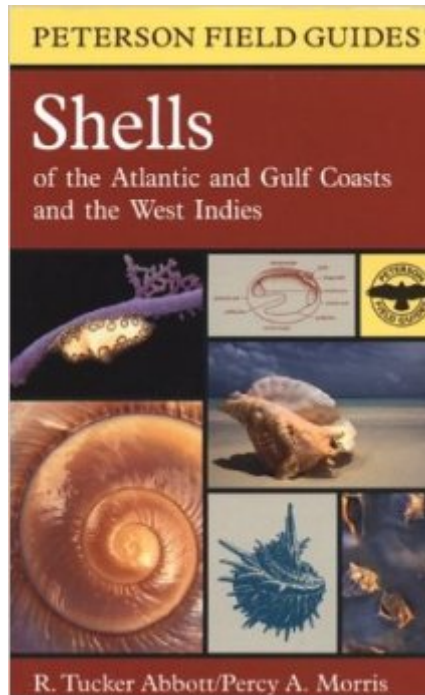


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# Shells Of The Atlantic And Gulf Coasts And The West Indies



## Synopsis

All the information needed to collect and study shells is included in this comprehensive book, which provides the geographical range and habitat for and a detailed description of each of 800 species. Color plates show 780 species, including live animals, and 115 drawings show both animals and their shells.

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## Customer Reviews

This fat book is a very good guide for shells of the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, and the West Indies. It is full of information! You will find of each shell the following: name, range (where to be found), habitat, description, remarks (special notes to some cases). There is a very interesting introduction. There are many pictures, in full color all of them. They are all in the middle of the book, not accompanying each description, as I expected. Anyway, it is a great guide, one that will help you very well with any information you need.

My best and most thorough guide to shells but the black and white photos could use some updating, also because of the large range this book covers it might have been nice to have range maps for the individual species next to their name on the plate this would help narrow down between similar species without having to flip to the reference pages so frequently. I would have given this a 4/5 star rating but gave it a 5/5 because I felt the need to compensate for Daniel J. Knight's ridiculous review: "Evolution pseudo science babble" Thanks!

Definitely the best of these identification books. Gives you enough information to accurately identify seashells to further your research. Diagrams at front and back covers are helpful though so not specify all of the anatomy described. Wish it included other shells as well (crabs etc). Overall great guide! Peterson makes the best

Here's a book to really keep the shell collector in the family happy! I have used my copy so much in classifying my own shells that the plates have separated from the back of the book and have been re-glued. The sketches, photography and descriptions are outstanding and the color photos are a great help and a big step forward over the previous editions which I am also fortunate to own. Morris has done his research on updating a lot of the taxonomic nomenclature which has changed significantly in past years as better techniques are found to compare species. This volume and the earlier black and white volume became the basis for final classification of several difficult shells in my own book, "Beachcomber Sea Shells of the Caribbean." Buy it, read it and learn from one of the true master's of the field!

Lack of colored pictures. Very informative. Super guide for scuba divers and naturalists as well as shell collectors.

I was wanting to know the names of various shells that I gather for my crafts, and this did help. I only wished that there were more of the pictures in color, not mostly black and white.

Good book - great price and great service- wife is the shell collector and she was very pleased with the material - and she reads a lot of shell books

You will find most common shells that can be found in the area in this guide, good photographs of living animals too

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