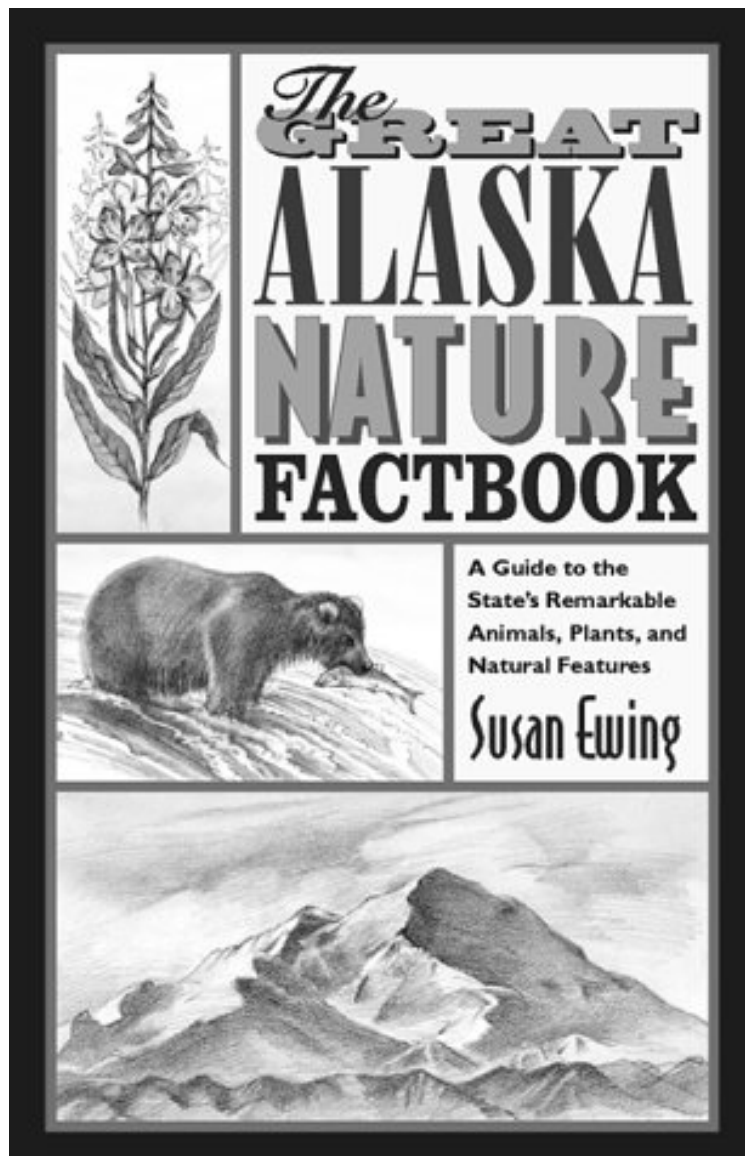


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By BuzzBeeI found this book to be very helpful for reading up on the flora, fauna, history of native peoples and geographic features before my trip there and then it helped me out during the trip, especially when I made use of the "search features" of my Kindle when a question arose. It is quite comprehensive and detailed in its coverage of natural topics and I enjoyed the author's clear method of writing and there was humor at times, making the book a very interesting read (not boring). The only drawback to the book is that I am a "visual" person and I wish for ALL the plants and animals, besides providing a written description, the author could have included color drawings or photos which should not be a big issue with a kindle edition. I was rather disappointed by the very few illustrations, and when they occurred they were line drawings, many of common animals such as a moose, bear, bald eagle, crab (which, of course almost anyone would know). There were some "obscure" fish illustrated but this great book would be even better with pictures of animals and plants that are not so common. (i.e. It's hard to distinguish one pine tree or cedar from another when you cannot see the needle clusters illustrated for you or the bark patterns) I think it was a great idea to include all the "natural topics" (animals, plants, history of Alaska, native peoples, geographic features) all under one cover and would highly suggest it for anyone planning a trip to Alaska - to get some great information.
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