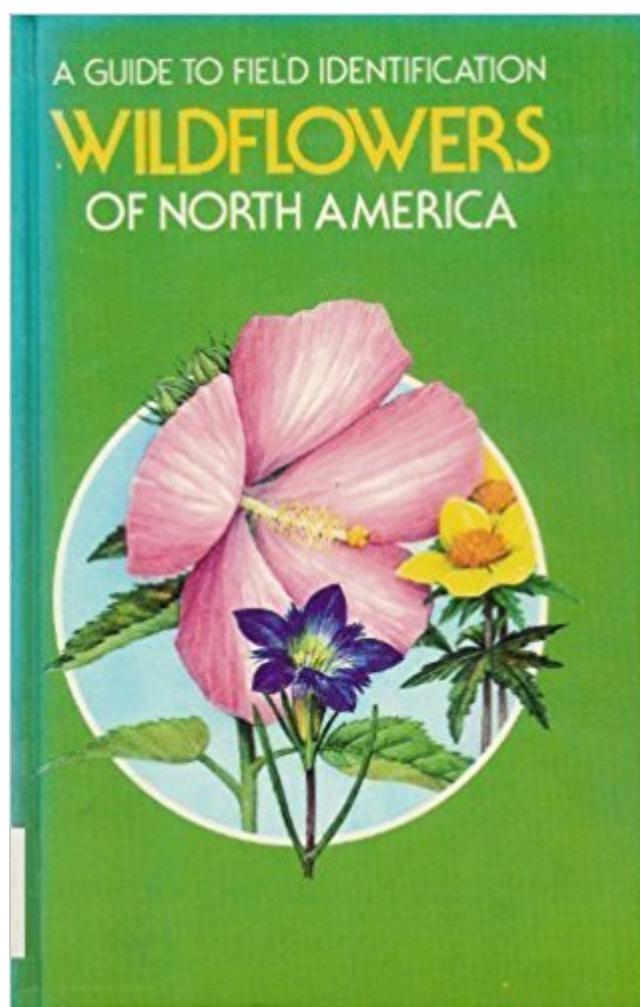**The book was found**

Wildflowers Of North America: A Guide To Field Identification

Synopsis

Identify the red splash of an Indian Paintbrush. Recognize the odor of burning Sage. Find the graceful Jack-in-the-Pulpit, hidden in shady swamplands-and realize that wildflowers are a heritage to enjoy and cherish. No other field guide covers so vast a geography or such an abundance of species, making this exquisitely illustrated volume preferred for nature studies, educational projects, and scientific needs.-All of North America in one volume-7,441,049 square miles!-Over 1,500 species in 101 families-Basic instruction in flower parts and leaf type-Text and illustrations seen together at a glance-Colloquial and scientific names-Convenient measuring rules-Glossary --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Customer Reviews

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Price and size are what makes this guide so great. It provides a good overview of the wildflowers of North America in a very portable format.The small size, however, means that the illustrations are not as large or detailed as we would prefer. It also limits the amount of specific information that can be included. We recently relocated to the Pacific Northwest and have found region-specific books (particularly from Lone Pine Publishers) to be superb. If you live in the Pacific Northwest, I

recommend three books published by Hancock House, one of which is titled "Northwest Coastal Wildflowers." We use this color-coded guide far more than the Golden Field Guide simply because it is specific to our local ecosystem. We have identified every flower found using the Hancock guide.That said, I recommend this as a great resource at a very good price.

I find the organization of this book to be poor. The fact that it is all drawings instead of photos makes identification difficult at times. As far as bang for your buck goes, this book does not have it. I would not recommend it as a primary source for field identification. But it is somewhat helpful.

Occasionally the descriptions and illustrations seem a bit difficult to leave me with the feeling of a positive identification, although they definitely get you close.

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All illustrations in the book are drawings - but at least they are in color and that helps somewhat make up for the lack of detail in really identifying a specific flower. I haven't found the book very helpful in identifying flowers (which I typically do from photographs, rather than in the field) but it is useful when I think I have an identification from another source to check this book for details about the flower and family and its range.

I'll buy more books from this source.

Although this book has many nice pictures, it has no key and is therefore very difficult to use in the field. You must know the family to even come close to identifying a flower.

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