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The Reptiles And Amphibians Of Alabama
Synopsis

This volume details the 182 species and subspecies of snakes, lizards, turtles, frogs and salamanders present in the state of Alabama. Containing photographs and range maps for each species, the book also shows the specific locality from which each specimen on record was collected.

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Customer Reviews

Mount's book is the most authoritative to date on Alabama herpetology. Written for the professional and lay reader alike, this book is a "must-have" for herpetologists working not only in Alabama, but anywhere in the Southeast (I've already worn out a couple of copies). The detailed range maps are among its most useful features (multiple dots in counties indicating actual collection localities, not just a single dot per county). Another helpful section is Mount's description of the physiographic regions of the state, which he discusses as "herpetofaunal regions." Published in 1975, the book is becoming a bit dated, but a foreword by the author in the 1996 re-issue brings the reader up to speed on recent discoveries. Black-and-white photographs accompany each species account.

Accurate but not at all helpful. Tiny print, black and white pictures. Fine if you have 5 hours to research and compare with color pictures from another source, not fine for quick identification. Not a helpful field guide. It was cheap, and that's the only reason I didn't return it.
A wonderful guide for identifying and learning about reptiles and amphibians in Alabama. I love this book because it goes into great detail about specimens. It is so much more extensive and educational than a field guide. I have identified various herps correctly using this book. The only aspect I would change would be to include color photos of the animals described. The black and white photos are great but you can not see the beauty of the wonderful reptiles and amphibians. It just makes me want to go out and discover the live specimens for myself. A must have addition to anyone's library.

I was pleased with the content having just completed a Master Naturalist session on Amphibians and Reptiles. This book arrived in excellent condition and since it is soft covered is not heavy to carry around. I hope to use it when the weather warms.

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