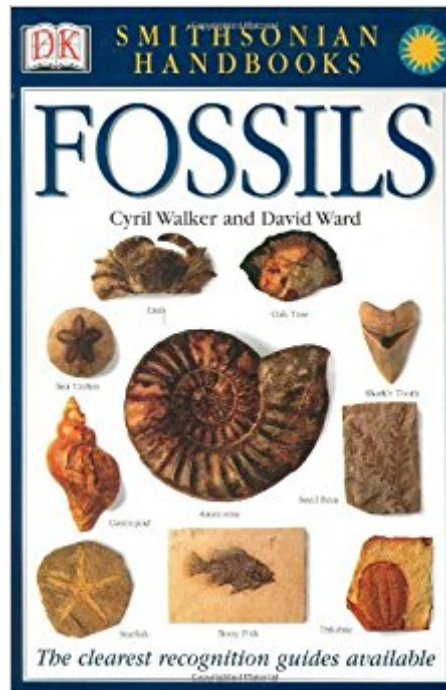




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# Smithsonian Handbooks: Fossils



## Synopsis

Designed for beginners and experienced collectors alike, these field guides make identification of individual specimens sure, simple and straightforward. Each entry has a full color illustration as well as color-coded bands that provide at-a-glance facts for quick reference. Easy to use and beautiful to look at, this series is an invaluable resource for every collector.

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## Customer Reviews

I bought this book for my 7-year-old grandson because he recently discovered the world of rocks! He carefully compares the rocks he breaks open to possible stones showed in the book's excellent pictures, and he reads about those stones. He loves to look through the book at all the rocks he may potentially uncover. Though while the book is great for my grandson, it is also interesting reading for adults. Excellent book!

This particular field guide is nicely formatted with detailed, full color photographs that are excellent for differentiating between similar fossil types. That said, the background information for each individual species was a bit too general and could have stood to be more specific- it seemed as if information pertinent to understanding the individual species was glazed over. That said, it is still an engaging and easy to navigate guide that is more than suitable for novice use.

Has had every fossil we have found so my son can identify them easily. Great basic fossil book for

the budding paleontologist to have on hand. He has already put post it markers on all the pages of fossils he has found. And logged them in another book with photos so people who come over can identify and read in the book about his finds. (did I mention he is 7) Reading level obviously a bit higher than when could read when he got it, but great photos. Has been very helpful.

I love collecting fossils and teaching classes to the Cub Scouts. Great book to use as I teach my classes.

We like DK books because the information is presented clearly and the format is always excellent. This book packs tons of information into a small paperback book. Recommended for the giant color photographs.

Beautiful Book! Everything you would expect it to be from Smithsonian. Our 8 year old is a Dinosaur lover who has absorbed so much about dinosaurs, she has moved on to a curiosity of Fossils, preservation and the like. Very glad we invested in this for her. She has thumbed through it twice already, and that's some stiff competition on Christmas Morning! She even placed it in her bookshelf with her Dino encyclopedias. A sure sign she appreciates it!

Bout this for my grandson, he loves it. Very informative

Got this as it is used frequently in my Earth History lab for geology. It's a great addition to my own personal collection of geology related books and has helped my 10 yr old son and I on our fossil hunting trips. :)

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