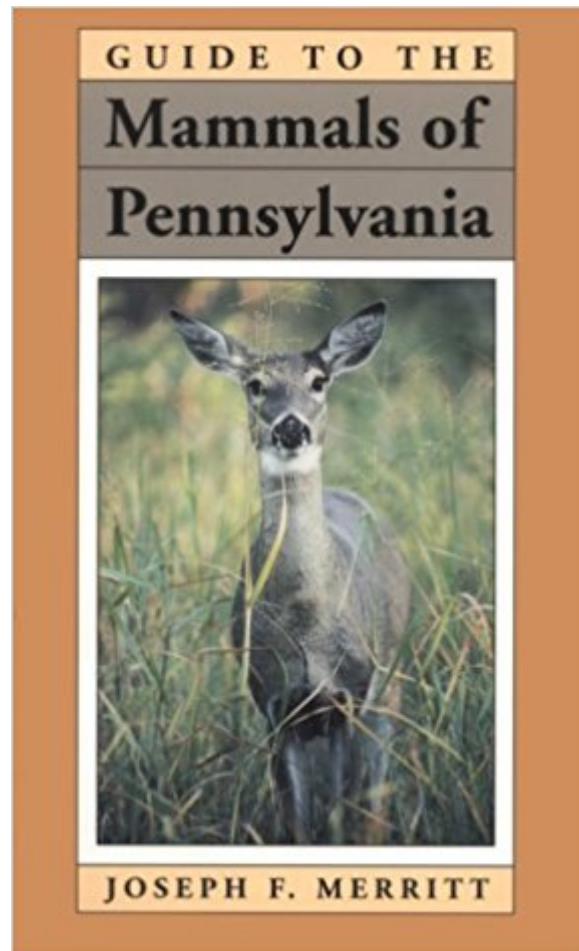




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# Guide To The Mammals Of Pennsylvania



## Synopsis

From the tiny shrew to the black bear, Pennsylvania's hills and valleys are teeming with sixty-three species of wild mammals. Many of these animals are rarely seen except when pursued by an interested biologist, mammologist, or nature photographer. Now, with the publication of this book, student, scholar, and nature lover alike will have a ready reference to distinguish between a deer mouse and a white-footed mouse, to identify raccoon tracks, and to learn about Pennsylvania's other inhabitants. An attractive backpack-size volume, written in lively prose, the *Guide to the Mammals of Pennsylvania* opens with a short introduction to Pennsylvania's environment and the characteristics defining a mammal. The bulk of the book consists of species accounts of the mammals grouped into families and orders. Each account includes a short list of data, a Pennsylvania range map, a North American range map, and a narrative of the physical, ecological, and behavioral characteristics of the species. Exciting photographs of each of the species in its natural habitat, 17 in color, and drawings of animal tracks are especially useful for identification, and a glossary and a bibliography provide definitions and references for the serious reader. Naturalists, whether amateur or professional, will find the book useful in the field; it will be an indispensable tool in the classroom.

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Student, scholar, and nature lover alike now have a ready reference to distinguish between 63 species of wild mammals in Pennsylvania, many of which are rarely seen except when pursued by an interested biologist, mammalogist, or nature photographer.

Excellent little book, even for those of us not in Pennsylvania.

Excellent book on the mammals of Pennsylvania. We used this extensively at our Boy Scout Camp to teach with and as background information for the counselors. Worth it - easily to read, well-layed out.

First of all there are only 15 color photos in the book. There are a lot of black and white photos but a lot of them you cant really see the animal well. A lot of the mammals listed don't even have photos. Its an ok guide considering its the only one I could really find on the subject. There is a lot of info though which makes the book worth reading but it needs better visual aids!

awesome book

An excellent field manual that elaborates on all the mammals of Pennsylvania from the common Eastern Cottontail to the elusive Martin and Fisher. Information includes animal description and photo, reproduction, interesting facts, adaptations, food, habitat, prey, predators, biology, reasons why the mammal is endangered or threatened, and behavior. Each description is in easy to understand language except for certain biological vocabulary. This is a must-have for hunters, Boy Scouts, students, environmentalists, and any interested resident of Pennsylvania. It is especially helpful to teachers of students of wildlife including those training Envirothon students.

Merrit's Guide is a very useful book for those interested in mammals within the state of Pennsylvania. This book is easy to follow. The descriptions are straight foward and easy to understand. The diagrams and pictures are also very useful. I highly recommend this book.

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