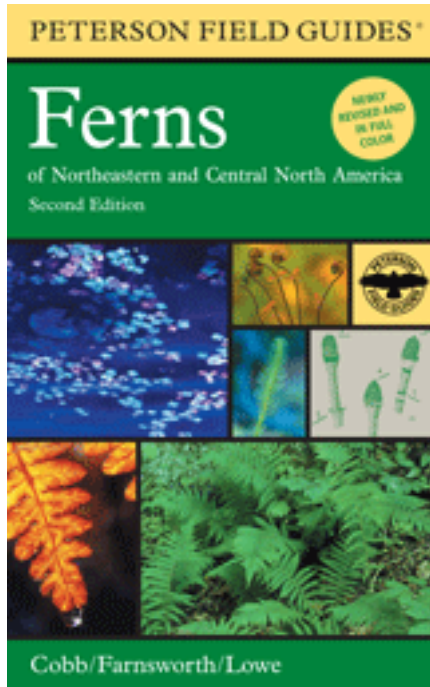


Press Release



Peterson Field Guide to Ferns

by Boughton Cobb, Elizabeth Farnsworth, and Cheryl Lowe

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All-new Edition, Ready for New Generations of Fern Enthusiasts

"Wherever we go, or wherever we are . . . we are likely to find ferns . . . on the tops of mountains and in low swamps; in dimly lit, moist, cavelike crevices and in sunny open fields; on high, dry, and windswept cliffs; in and on still waters of ponds or lakes; along highways, in towns and villages; and even in the cities, commonly displayed in florists' windows." — Boughton Cobb

About the Book

Since 1956, when Boughton Cobb wrote his field guide to ferns, the book, unchanged in all the years since, has become the authority on the subject.

Houghton Mifflin is pleased to offer a second edition of the *Peterson Field Guide to Ferns of Northeastern and Central North America* (Houghton Mifflin, September 26, 2005), for the first time in full color. The New England Wild Flower Society (NEWFS) has completely updated the text and added 100 color photographs. Incredibly beautiful full-page line drawings by the late Laura Louise Foster have been reproduced from the original art. New subjects include a section on habitats and conservation, a glossary of botanical terms, and a chapter on gardening with ferns. The fully enhanced 304-page field guide offers an exhilarating new look at the life of ferns, yet its physical size remains compact.

The New England Wild Flower Society is the nation's oldest organization devoted to the conservation of native plants. Cheryl Lowe, director of horticulture at NEWFS, and Elizabeth Farnsworth, senior research ecologist at NEWFS and a Bullard Fellow at Harvard University, spent almost two years researching and restructuring the second edition of the *Peterson*

Field Guide to Ferns of Northeastern and Central North America. The result is this first major revision of the classic book, which truly represents the beauty and mystery of the plants it describes.