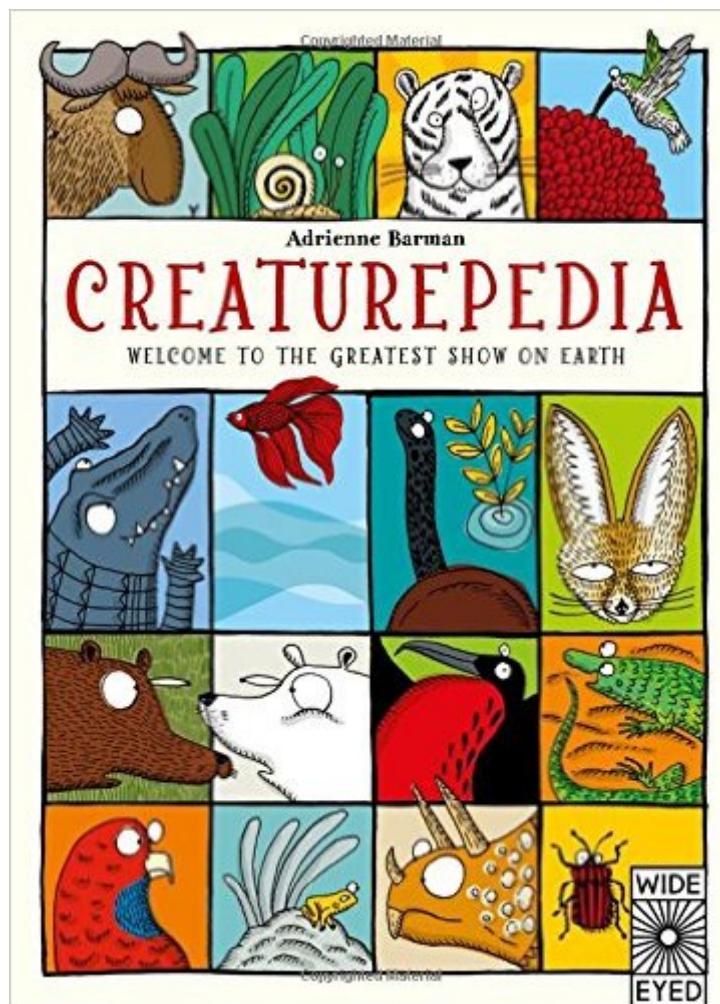


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Customer Reviews

I love this book! As a librarian I come across many different books and this, by far, is one of the coolest children's books I've seen. Children of all ages will appreciate this book and its beautiful pictures and informative facts. I will be purchasing for my own home library for all of my children to enjoy, 13, 11 and 4. Not only are the pictures beautiful and dynamic to look at, the author has categorized the animals into different unique sets, such as "The architects" (animals that build), "The faithful" (animals that "love"), and "The brainboxes" (animals that think like humans) to name a few. She includes familiar animals as well as the obscure and gives facts about most. This is a beautiful, informative book and I applaud the author for her stunning work. I am a huge customer of and have never left a review on anything. I felt this book should get the proper recognition it deserves.

My 8 year old son loves this book. He is entranced by the colourful graphic nature of the book, and particularly the unique way of categorising animals. I think that this helps children remember animals and their traits in a novel way. For instance, I doubt the average child would think of the Cuban Tree frog as "a gladiator" or a Wild Boar as "a homebody". It's obviously not meant to be an encyclopedia, but a celebration of animals great and small. And there is just enough information included to light a desire to find out more, from google or an actual encyclopaedia.

This is a fun book. Sure, it is non traditional, but that's what makes it fun. It makes the children think about how animals are alike and not just which classification they belong to or where they live. It is well written and has some interesting thoughts. There are some less familiar animals and the children can look for further information. This is a book to make children think about things/ animals differently. If they want a textbook, they have those as well. This is strictly fun.

Creaturepedia is an encyclopedia of animals that are on the earth now, ones that may go extinct soon, and some that are already extinct. It is set up into different "chapters" of the animals such as, The Big-Eared Beasts, The Emerald-Greens, The Homebodies, and the Voyagers. The graphics are pretty good. Nice and colorful. I am not sure if I would put the chapters the way the author did. However, it is set up pretty nice. If there is a special thing about the species, it is in a very small italic print which makes it hard to read. Over all, I do like it. I got this for free for review. All opinions are my own.

Adorable! This is my niece's new favorite book. It's her top pick for bedtime, and I love that it categorizes animals in a way that is especially memorable for kids, i.e The Giants, The Masters of Camouflage, The Prickly Ones.

I see Creaturepedia as part nature-book, part encyclopedia. It includes fun facts that distinguish and relate different animals from one another. It uses 41 different categories, then illustrates them in fun ways, with brief captions that describe each animal's appearance, abilities, or behaviors. For example, in The Architects category, there are beavers, prairie dogs, spiders, termites and more, with their elaborate homes all shown. The encyclopedia-sized book is over 200 fully-illustrated pages, and includes a book ribbon to mark our favorites. My kids enjoy the cartoony illustrations, and I often see them run to a computer to look up more about the interesting animals.

This is a great visual encyclopedia for younger children with charming but realistic illustrations and creative categories for the featured animals. My children enjoy the book not only for the scientific knowledge but also as a guide for artistic renderings of the various animals. The volume has a nice heft to it but is sized appropriately for smaller hands.

I suspect that this book was published mainly to showcase the artist's work, because otherwise it's a really puzzling book indeed. The scant information is random and often printed in tiny type against a murky background. It's certainly not a reference book. The pictures are cute, but the artwork doesn't strike me as particularly outstanding compared to the work of the many other children's book illustrators out there. The grouping of animals by ability and placing them in the same background would lead many readers to think that these animals inhabit the same places when often they're worlds apart.

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