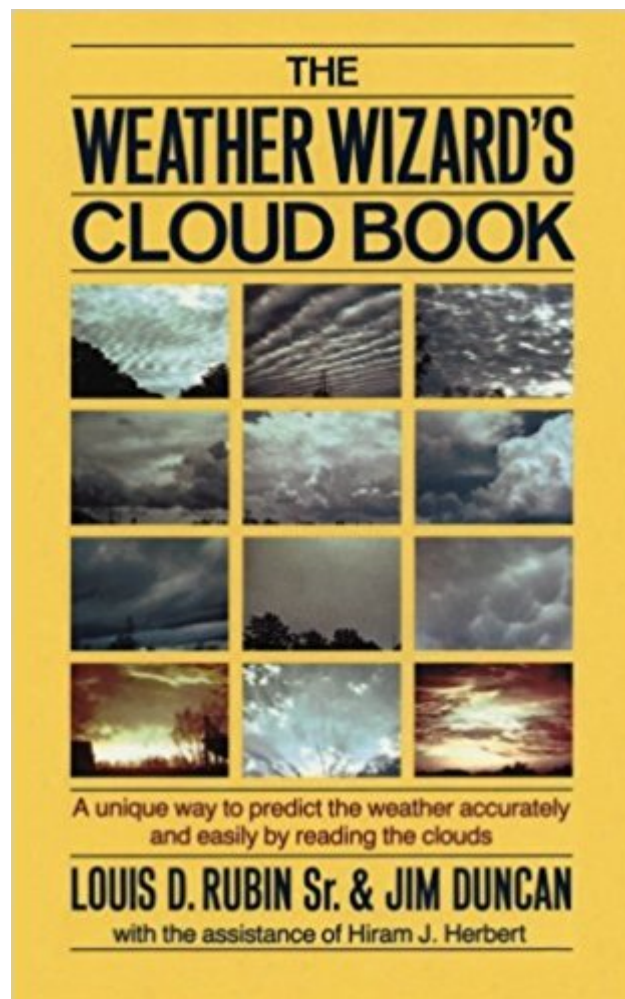


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The Weather Wizard's Cloud Book: A Unique Way To Predict The Weather Accurately And Easily By Reading The Clouds



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The Weather Wizard's Cloud Book offers a foolproof three-step system for predicting the weather. With amazing accuracy, this simple system can account for swiftly changing local weather developments more effectively than weather maps or official area forecasts, which are issued well in advance of weather conditions. Includes more than 120 photographs.

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Customer Reviews

I first read this book when my math teacher lent it to me. Since then, I have gotten my own copy of this book and use it quite often. To get an idea of what the weather will be like within the next 24 hours, all you need to know is the wind direction and the cloud type. A quick glance through the book will do the rest. My only complaint is that it is sometimes hard to find the correct type of cloud in the book, as clouds do not always conform to the general pictures in the book. For help in identifying the cloud type, I would recommend the NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY FIELD GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN WEATHER. The pictures in there are wonderful, clear and really help a lot. Otherwise, THE WEATHER WIZARD'S CLOUD BOOK has proved very useful while away from a weather broadcast. If you're outdoors and away from a T.V. or radio station often, this book is a must.

I bought this book in preparation for an advanced mariner's meteorology course, and could not have made this comment without having first gained that higher level of knowledge. This is a superb book with two major flaws: 1) It sticks to the two-dimensional depiction of weather that is common to the

average person. Although there are a couple of illustrations showing altitude, the author could easily have put in a few pages on the rotation of the earth, the 500 mb level, and how weather on the surface cannot be understood without understanding what is happening at the 18,000 level. As my instructor put it, the high-level troughs are the chicken that hatches the surface level (scrambled) egg.²) It provides the pictures of the clouds, but missed the key chance to break down the names into the original latin meanings, to create a matrix of high (Cirro), medium (alto), and low (strato), with substantive meaning including layer (stratus), curly (cirrus), stacked in a vertical heap (cumulo-cumulus), and delivering rain (nimbus). Add this little matrix above, and read "Mariner's Guide to the 500-Millibar Chart" by Joe Stenkiewicz and Lee Chesneau, and Google for to find his web site, and you'll have all you need to move to the better three-dimensional interactive viewing of weather and weather charts. I also recommend Understanding Weatherfax

I bought this book because I had seen an old copy of it at a friend's house. I liked it because it had photos that identified the clouds and told you what to expect if winds were from a certain direction. For example, for altocumulus perlucidus: "Some precipitation if wind steady from N to S.. ." But the quality of the copy I received was abysmal. It is obviously one of those print-on-demand books. The "color" photographs are faded. The photos and print is blurry. Parts of the book are almost unreadable. On some pages the print is actually cut off so only part of the page was printed. I would definitely have returned it if I hadn't waited too long. And I won't buy anything from this publisher again without knowing if it is a print-on-demand copy. There are many used copies of this book for sale at good prices. Buy those instead.

A very handy book for "instant" weather forecasting. Interesting to read and written with a bit of humor. The only shortcoming is the arrangement of the photographs of the different clouds, they are not in logical sequence.

Very handy guide to learning cloud identification, and it is actually pocket size so it's easy to take along with you on your trek outdoors. As a side note the history about the author and his life were really inspiring. I think it belongs on the shelf any weather fan.

This is an fantastic book that with teach you on how to predict the weather by just reading clouds and wind. It's very simple yet effective that anyone can learn. Wish I would have been taught this in school when I was younger. It's basic information everyone should know.

A group of local pilots wanted me to develop a lesson plan to teach about weather. This was one of several books that I used. .com has a wide variety of books new and used available for research and pleasure.

The resolution and (quality) of the cloud photographs..... is low end. You are better off going on-line and printing your own.

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