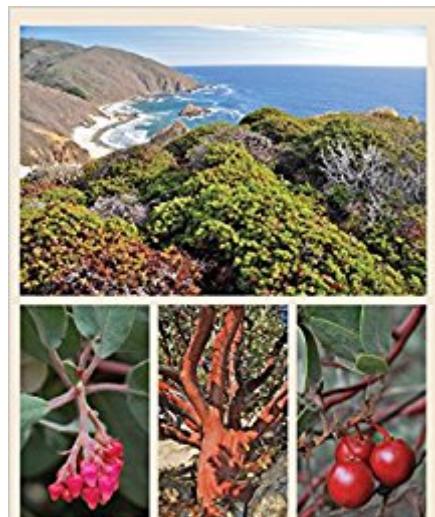


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California, North America, and Mexico

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Synopsis

Manzanita's center of biodiversity is in the California Floristic Province, where they are the rock stars of woody shrub diversity. Ranging from the Sierra Nevada mountains to coastal bluffs along the Pacific, from temperate rainforests along the North Coast to arid mountain slopes in Southern California, a wealth of manzanita species and subspecies can be found in an astonishing array of environments. What is presented herein is an assimilation of images, descriptions, and range maps to better understand these plants through:

- Color plates for identifying the world's manzanitas
- Accurate and updated range maps
- 28 manzanita hot-spots for finding them in the field
- Spectacular photos from across North America
- Simplified keys by region
- Discussion covering endemism, ecology, and evolution of the genus

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Customer Reviews

Field Guide to Manzanitas is indeed what plant/nature enthusiasts like me have waited for in our lives. Manzanitas are often very difficult to separate in the field due to many of them having very similar growth habits and leaf colors. There are vivid color photos for the species (and subspecies and varieties) described, and there is well-written information on how to use the leaf and stem hairs (or lack thereof) to aid in identification. I also like the section in the end dividing up regions of interest into what manzanitas are there. Kudos to such an interesting group of authors for providing a long-awaited field guide to Western North America's famous manzanitas.

outstanding! As a field biologist I would say you need this book if you are in the west and need to

know Manzanitas ,though the cost for such a small book floored me when it arrived but,then it surely will pay for itself. Go for It !

I have been interested in Manzanitas for decades and have been looking for a reference like this for just as long. Finally it's here. The images, text, maps, and overall layout of the book are fantastic. I really can't say anything negative about the book, except for wishing there were more. But really, it covers it all. The helpful finding information on most species AND subspecies is especially appreciated, so I can finally work on completing my personal checklist to see as many as I can in the field. The photos picked are going to be extremely useful. The maps, as I indicated, are well done (and accurate as far as my own knowledge goes). The text is short and to-the-point. A finer guide to this wonderful group of plants I can't really imagine.

Excellent- very good overall information about Manzanitas and then the field guide portion - differentiation and where to find.

Very detailed and informative. I like the pictures for each species and the maps showing areal distribution.

What a great reference, especially since our region has a lot of manzanita!

Lots of beautiful pictures and detailed maps.

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