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The Natural World Close-Up (Close-Up (Firefly))



Synopsis

A unique view of the natural world in stunning close-up. The Natural World Close-up is an incredible journey through the wondrous diversity, complexity and majesty of the natural world as seen through the glass of a super-magnifying lens. More than 300 extraordinary close-up photographs reveal the intimate details of nature's most remarkable creations. These are the closest views that technology will allow. Spectacular high-magnification images zoom in on the most amazing details of plants, animals and natural features of our planet. Like a moving zoom lens, the subject is viewed closer and closer until it no longer resembles the familiar subject first shown. Concise, informative text accompanies the book's photographs. Leafy sea dragons, poison arrow frogs, leaf stomata, fern spores, quartz crystals, metamorphic rocks, glacier ice, rainbows -- the world will never again appear the same. Ideal for all nature lovers, conservationists, wildlife watchers and zoologists, this stunning visual reference is perfect for revealing the beauty and diversity of the natural world.

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Customer Reviews

Words can hardly express the awe and wonder one feels when observing the intricate patterns of nature captured and published in this book. Even a 10 year old child was fascinated. No human being could create the beauty and perfection in form and function of the natural world, of which only

a smidgeon, is shown in this remarkable book. It is a treasure.

I just love this. I have read it several times now - and when I want inspiration for art I read it again. When I just want to be reminded of the beauty in this world I read it. I am awed by the actual design of things in this world and its intricacy at this microscopic level. Its on my coffee table - visitors inevitably pick it up and the conversations that follow are so much more enjoyable and different. A book to inspire, challenge and delight - eye candy in the extreme. I expecially recommend it to creative people - a book of beauty.

I have almost all the books available on scanning electron microscope images. This is a great addition to the field - stunning photos and very insightful text. If you enjoy this type of work this book will not disappoint. It literally expands our definitions of reality to see so much exquisite detail that our unaided vision cannot access.

Fascinating; I acquired it for the grandchildren to look at, and we've had some lively sessions. When their reading is up to this level, I hope they'll learn even more. I think it's good to be aware that there's more to life than we can see in the day-to-day.

These type of photos fascinate me. I love to look at them when I have free time. No telling what is going on in the microscopic world!

The photography was exquisite. This is a book I will treasure forever. Not only is the book filled with photographs, but also nicely written descriptions.

I got this together with "The Human Body Close Up." They were my Christmas presents to myself. I agree with the previous reviewer that it makes you appreciate the creator when you are able to see the complex systems underlying creation. The photography is truly amazing and it is fascinating to see the cellular structure of hte natural world. This would make a great science textbook for students. I can't imagine anyone not being amazed.

This gives new appreciation for everyday items we see around us.

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