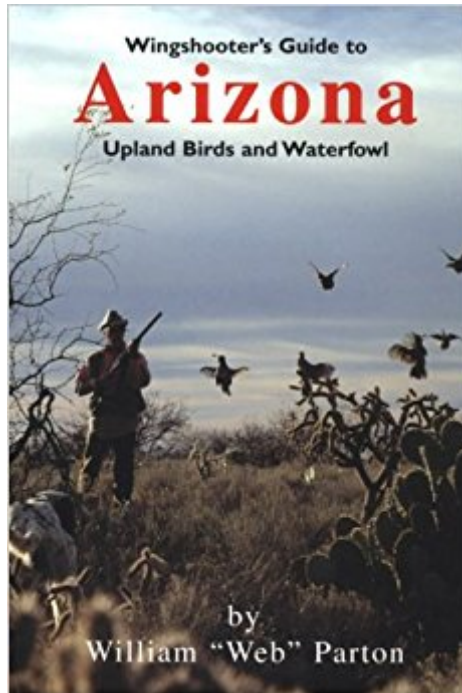




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Synopsis

Web Parton, professional bird dog trainer and former guide, hunts Arizona almost every day of the season. As a result, he knows the birds and the terrain of this undiscovered bird hunter's paradise better than anyone. Arizona has the best dove and western quail hunting in America, as well as some superior waterfowling. What's more, hunting access is not a problem. Over 75% of all the land in the state is public! Web covers the birds--where to find them and how to hunt them. He presents several chapters on hunting in the desert, how to take care of our dog, and the dangers of venomous reptiles and javalinas and how to avoid them. September-hard Every section of the state is covered, including motels that allow dogs, restaurants, guides, outfitters, lodges, airports, and much more. Arizona also has exceptional hunting on vast Indian reservations. Web covers each reservation and the birds found there. With this guide you can plan your hunt, choose an area and species, book your guide, or go it on our own. Either way, you'll have a great hunt! Specially bound to lay flat for easy reference and the perfect size to fit in your glove box. With a bird season that extends into February there is no better place for a late season hunt than Arizona.

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Customer Reviews

Given the concern over poor hunter-recruitment numbers, there is a need to introduce people to bird hunting. William Web Parton's updated Wingshooter's Guide to Arizona: Upland Birds and Waterfowl does just that. A longtime favorite of knowledgeable hunters, this ultimate how to for hunting Arizona's game birds was updated and republished in 2009 by Wilderness Adventures

Press. Written by a man who knows his sport, the 278-page guide covers every upland game bird in Arizona, as well as ducks and geese collectively. Species profiles run the gamut from Gambel's quail to sandhill cranes, and each bird's identifying characters, behavior and preferred habitats are described and illustrated. Distribution maps show primary and secondary distributions, and there are headings on how to locate each species and how to be successful in its pursuit. As a former small game biologist and bird hunter, I can personally vouch for the authenticity of the advice.

Observations such as ... periods after a weather disturbance, common in the September high country, may stimulate the (blue grouse) into feeding come only after years of experience. The stellar feature of the book is its usefulness. Arizona is divided into six regions, generally analogous to the Arizona Game and Fish Department's regional boundaries. Included within each region are maps and locations of lands open to hunting. Names, locations and directions to 25 state and federal wildlife areas and Indian reservations help you decide where to go, as does the information about any restrictions that apply. A lengthy discussion of hunter use of state lands is especially informative, and so is the advice on how to go about hunting on private land. Crisp black-and-white photos and an index make the book both visually pleasing and eminently usable. Perhaps the most important discussion involves the care and handling of hunting dogs in Arizona. The dangers of cacti, snakes, javelina and other hazards are explored in detail, and prescriptions are provided for combating such threats. Human concerns also are covered, both throughout the text and in a special chapter. Other passages deal with equipment, clothing and travel, including places to eat and stay. Last, but not least, the book has practical suggestions on how to prepare game birds for either taxidermy or the table. A copy of Wingshooter's Guide to Arizona is guaranteed to improve your day afield. Well organized and easy to read, this softbound book makes an ideal field companion that fits into your backpack, jacket pocket or glove box. Read it and you won't be disappointed. --David E. Brown, Arizona Wildlife Views magazine --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

If you plan on doing any bird hunting in Arizona this book is an absolute must. Provides very detailed information on Arizona bird species and habitat. Descriptions of hunting regions. This book also contains detailed information on bird dog care than most gun dog books.

I have mixed feelings about this book - it is a book packed with info & I imagine it would be very helpful to somebody who had never lived in Arizona & who wasn't already familiar with our native birds. So, if you don't know what the heck a Gambel's Quail is or what they look like, I'd imagine this

would be the book for you. On the other hand, as someone who grew up in Tucson I can tell you that you'll still be a long way from finding any birds w/ this book in hand. It has general areas where birds can be found - but nothing that helped me find any more birds in the field than I found have found anyway...as a traveling wingshooter you'd still need another resource to help tell you exactly where to go (whether it be the guy at the gas station in Sonoita or a buddy who hunts doves near Picacho, etc)

Then this book is a must have! Very detailed information from first-hand experience! This book is a great read and just gets you fired up to want to go out to Arizona for some wing shooting! Many tips about how to locate, hunt and set up your gear for the different species of quail offered in AZ. Also covers other bird species such as turkey and waterfowl. Pick it up and enjoy!

For anyone planning a trip for bird hunting in Arizona this book is the Bible. Up to date and precise on maps, roads, and habitat. I've hunted Arizona quail for 12 years and found his information to be right on the money. I've even picked up a few pointers from his book. Well worth having this book in your arsenal to hunt the very cagey desert quail.

I HAVE NEVER READ A BOOK WITH MORE FEELING, KNOWLEDGE, AND JUST PLAIN "SMARTS" AS THIS BOOK BY "WEB" PARTON. I'M A VERY EXPERIENCED HUNTER AND SHOTGUN PERSON AND COULD NOT BELIEVE I WAS READING A BOOK WITH THE REAL TRUTH ABOUT ALL ASPECTS OF THE HUNTING, GUNS, AND SHELLS REQUIRED. MOST BOOKS SHOW THEIR IGNORANCE IN A FEW PAGES, THIS BOOK I COULD NOT PUT DOWN, IT'S THE TRUTH--READ THIS BOOK. PARTON IS MY HERO.

I would strongly recommend this book to anyone going to AZ to hunt quail. Web Parton does an excellent job in writing this book...he's entertaining as well as informative.

This book establishes Web as the authority on Arizona wingshooting. If you own a shotgun you need this book.

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