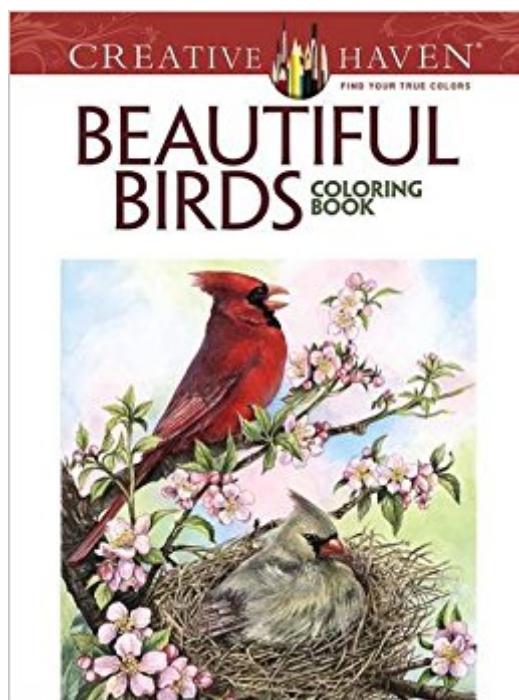


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# Creative Haven Beautiful Birds Coloring Book (Adult Coloring)



## **Synopsis**

From the ruby-throated hummingbird to the monk parakeet and the great blue heron, this book features 31 realistic illustrations of songbirds, game birds, waterfowl, and many other birds in their natural habitats. A color guide appears on the inside back cover. Pages are perforated and printed on one side only for easy removal and display. Specially designed for experienced colorists, Beautiful Birds and other Creative Haven® adult coloring books offer an escape to a world of inspiration and artistic fulfillment. Previously published as Birds to Paint or Color. Each title is also an effective and fun-filled way to relax and reduce stress.

## **Book Information**

Age Range: 3 and up

Series: Adult Coloring

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## **Customer Reviews**

Over 30 Beautiful Birds to Color From the ruby-throated hummingbird to the monk parakeet and the great blue heron, this book features 31 realistic illustrations of songbirds, game birds, waterfowl, and many other birds in their natural habitats. A color guide appears on the inside back cover. Specially designed for experienced colorists, Creative Haven® coloring books offer an escape to a world of inspiration and artistic fulfillment. Perforated pages printed on one side only for easy removal and display. Previously published as Birds to Paint or Color. Find your true colors with Creative Haven® and hundreds of other coloring books:

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Dot Barlowe has created more than 50 Dover titles, many of them in collaboration with her late husband, Sy. Dot specializes in nature themes, and the incredible details of her drawings attest to her meticulous research. The extent of her 80-plus years of knowledge about animals and botany is surpassed only by her enthusiasm.Â

Attached is my silent and quick flip through video of the entire book of designs. I hope it is of assistance to you. My husband and I have started using Adult Coloring Books as a way to de-stress. I know that many crafts use the same part of the brain that one uses in meditation, so I wasn't surprised to read that many other adults were turning to coloring. I have bought several different types of books and I find that I like a lot of the ones by Creative Haven/Dover. I have found that my non-alcohol based markers and my gel pens all leak through this brand of book, so I am sure to place paper between the pages to keep the pages behind fresh and clean. I've found that freezer paper works really well for this purpose. The pages of the book are single-sided and are perforated at the bound edge so you can remove the page to color or to frame afterwards. The pages are a bright white and have a decent pound weight - they are not flimsy. What is really nice about this particular book is that, if you chose to color the pages realistically, the author/illustrator has included a color guide for each of the 31 print included in the book. The birds are shown in natural habitat style outdoor settings but you can decide to mix it up and use any color you wish. The illustrations by Dot Barlowe are quite lovely and include the following birds: Painted buntings, Baltimore orioles, Bobwhite quails, Carolina wrens, Eastern bluebirds, Ruby-throated hummingbirds, Roseate spoonbills, Cedar waxwings, Barn swallow, Brown pelicans, Monk parakeets, Northern flicker, Tuamoto sandpiper, Belted kingfisher, a montage of House finch, white throated sparrow, house sparrows, song sparrow, and chipping sparrow, also included are American flamingos, Northern cardinals, Red-tailed hawk, Eastern rosette, Osprey, Snowy Owl, Laysan albatross, Wild turkeys, Ring-necked pheasants, Herring gull, Sharp-tailed grouse, Mute swan, Great blue heron, Purple gallinute, Sanderlings, and Wood duck. The illustrations contain quite a bit of detail, so it is a nice challenge for me. Of the color books I have purchased recently, this one is my husband's favorite as he is quite the bird lover. When it arrived, he went through it and called dibs on the pages he wanted to work (and penciled his initials on the back page. He had already "called" about three quarters of them before I even got to look at the book! That's okay, the price is so reasonable that I can buy another one if we have a dispute about who gets what. It's really nice to have a relatively inexpensive hobby that is so relaxing at the same time.

Beautiful variety of birds in natural habitats, some with wide open spaces, others with a good bit of detail. I like to color scenery and wildlife, and this looks to be one of the better ones in my collection. I bought this sight unseen based on my enjoyment of other Dot Barlowe coloring books. This book will work best with colored pencils in my opinion. As with all Creative Haven coloring books, the pages are perforated and single sided.

Pro: many types of birds with many types of backgrounds  
Perforated pages so you can share a book with someone else- I get birds, father in law gets flowers, and we give each other half the pages  
Con: 1. There are repeat pages from other non-Bird coloring books, like a tropical island themed book I bought. This is ridiculous. If you color for artistic reasons, for fun, to reduce stress, or for medical/therapeutic reasons (helping with focus, brain fog, distraction from pain, hand rehab), nobody wants to spend the money on several books and find they have the same pictures in them. It never occurred to me that if I buy from the same company that the pictures would be the same as in other books they produce. 2. Pages are not white, they are off white or recycled paper, they are not thick either so using pens or non-pencil items may be a problem, not good quality like Millie Marotta. It is not the thinnest paper but not what I expected. 3. The pictures are the biggest problem- there's a lot of pointless lines that ruin them. Most good books have well defined, black lines with either tiny detail space or big spaces, but the lines are all placed solely for the purpose of outlining or coloring within that space. This book has a lot of haphazard shading or pencil sketch marks that are within the space to be colored. If you have a log, I don't mind a few inner lines for definition but when there's a body of water, full of lines, they are not definition lines, they fill the space and unless you color it really dark, you will see them and it looks bad. You cannot really use them as definition lines because there are so many. It is not meant for coloring.

I absolutely love this coloring book! The pictures are gorgeous. It has a handy guide on the back, inside cover that tells what each bird is, and the colors the bird's plumage should be. Something I really enjoy about all Creative Haven coloring books is the pages are scored for easy removal from the books. Which makes the pictures easier to color since you're not contending with the spine of the book, or constantly having to hold the previous pages from closing over the picture you're trying to color.

Very nice book. I like that it has the reference in the back of the book to find the name of the birds

and the colors that they are. I just looked up the name of the bird on the internet and found pictures of the bird that I am working on to get them correct. I am an artist and plan on using this as a good reference book later.

Incredibly beautiful! I can't stop ordering the Creative Haven library of color books! Detailed, each book is so different, & great for artists of any skill set!!!

Very nice book offering some really beautiful and challenging pages without being too complicated. I especially like that there is only one picture on each page. No two sided printing which is a big plus. If you like birds and enjoy coloring, you'll love this book.

I absolutely love this adult coloring book which is filled with 31 realistic illustrations of songbirds, game birds, waterfowl, and many other birds in their natural habitats. I especially love how each page is titled with the breed of bird and habitat which makes it easy for researching for reference. These illustrations are specially designed for the experienced colorist and offers an escape to a world of inspiration and artist fulfillment through an effective and fun-filled way to relax and reduce stress. I would most definitely recommend this wonderful coloring book.

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