



RECOMMENDED READING

The Fatal Shore — Robert Hughes, HISTORY

In this celebrated social history, both scholarly and entertaining, Hughes traces the fate of those who were transported to the penal colonies of Australia between 1787 and 1868.

Australia, A New History of the Great Southern Land — Frank Welsh, HISTORY

In this authoritative, balanced history Frank Welsh focuses on the political development of Australia from the European discovery of the continent through the period of colonization.

Claiming a Continent: A New History of Australia — David Day, HISTORY

Written for a popular audience, this is an outstanding revisionist history of the country. Day tackles Australia's racial divisions, and the recent embrace of Aboriginal culture by white Australians.

Cultural Atlas of Australia, New Zealand & the South Pacific — Richard Nile & Christian Clerk, CULTURAL PORTRAIT

This handsome volume weaves together history, geography, archaeology, and the arts, covering the Australasian region from prehistory up to the founding of the modern nations.

Aboriginal Art — Wally Caruana, ART & ARCHITECTURE

This well illustrated survey focuses on the spiritual and geographic sources of art and ritual traditions in Australia with 187 illustrations.

True History of the Kelly Gang — Peter Carey, LITERATURE

A powerful, daring novel, steeped in the colonial history of late 19th-century Australia. Outlaw, folk hero, thief and patriot, the Irish immigrant Ned Kelly and his clan figure large in the Australian mindset.

The Field Guide to the Birds of Australia —

Graham Pizzey & Frank Knight, FIELD GUIDE

The authoritative, classic field guide. Range maps, illustrations, and concise descriptions are integrated on facing pages for ease of use.

Australian Wildlife— Raymond Leung & James Kavanaugh, FIELD GUIDE

This illustrated laminated fold-out guide features almost 150 species of Australian animals.

Fishwatcher's Field Guide, Great Barrier Reef—

I Greenberg, FIELD GUIDE

Covers the reef fish of Australia, PNG and the tropical Pacific.

The Snorkeller's Guide to the Coral Reef, From the Red Sea to the Pacific Ocean — Paddy Ryan & Peter Atkinson, NATURAL HISTORY

An illustrated overview of coral reefs, coral reef fishes, invertebrates and plants of the Indian and Pacific Oceans, this compact book is an excellent resource for anyone thinking of exploring the underwater world.

FOR CHILDREN

Australia, Enchantment of the World — Martin Hintz & Ann Heinrichs, CULTURAL PORTRAIT (Age 9-12)

An overview of the geography and people of Australia for kids.

Life in the Rainforest— John Ehrbacher & Sue Erbacher, NATURAL HISTORY (Age 9-12)

An overview of the nature and structure of Australia's tropical rain forest. The book covers how the rain forest works, its wildlife and issues of rain forest destruction.

Uluru, Australia's Aboriginal Heart— Caroline Arnold, NATURAL HISTORY (Age 9-12)

An overview of Ayer's Rock (now known by its traditional Aboriginal name Uluru), its geologic formation, surrounding wildlife and influence on Aboriginal culture. The book features a nice selection of colour photographs.