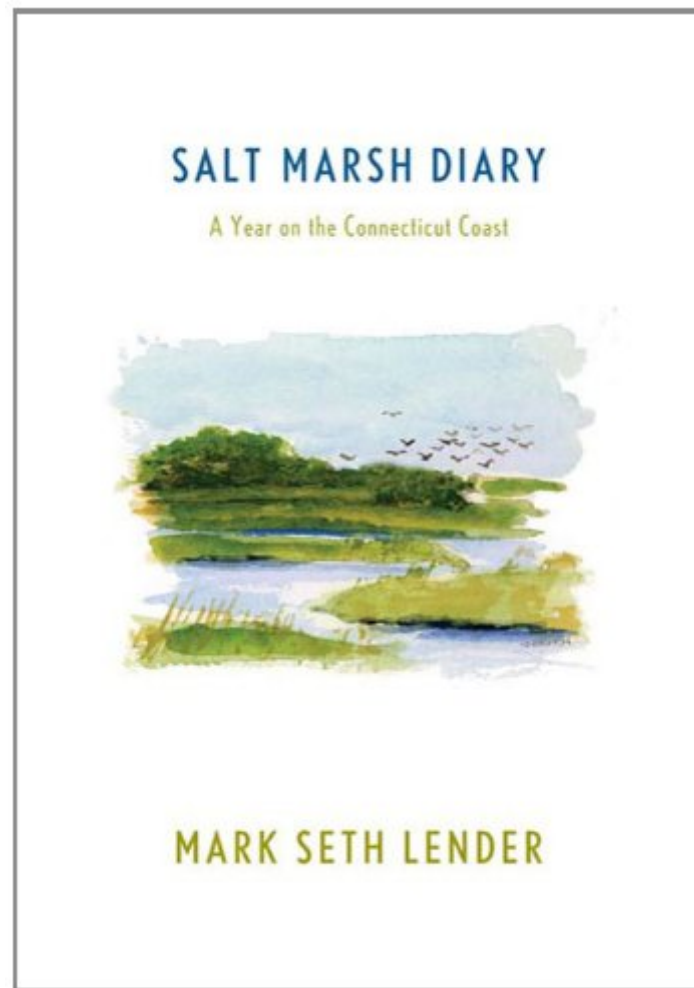




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Synopsis

NPR contributor and nature writer Mark Seth Lender chronicles the daily life of a salt marsh near his home. Mark Seth Lender's home is on the edge of a salt marsh. From his front porch and back yard he is witness to an astonishing array of wildlife, but nothing he sees is more beautiful and inspiring than the birds that fill the air, perch on trees and wade in shallow water. His reports on the sighting of birds like great horned owls, little blue herons and snowy egrets are featured in the segment "Salt Marsh Diary" heard on NPR's Living on Earth. For the first time, he has chronicled the marsh's life in a book penned from his perch. With the soul of a poet and the precision of a naturalist, Lender transports the reader to the edge of his salt marsh and makes us both see and hear kingfishers, terns, bluebirds, egrets and other wonders that fill the sky above us.

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Customer Reviews

I loved this book. I first listened to it on audible and have it to read as well. I love the author's animations of the birds and whatnot. I loved how he personifies the birds and their lives. It is good

food for the imagination.

The author's words are pure poetry, without seeming to be so. He has an unusual insight to his surroundings that is very easy to read and puts the reader right along side him as he wanders. A great book about a subject I am very fond of.

This is a lovely little book. I had heard some segments of it read on NPR's "Living on Earth," so I was prepared to like it. I am very pleased. It is an attractive book and would make a great gift for the right person.

I had read an excerpt from this book and that is what attracted me. Often the quote that entices is the best of the book, but in this case, it was just a sample of excellence. This is a must read for anyone who deeply loves nature. This is one of life's treasures.

This book is a jewel from a writer who has a unique vision of a world he knows so well, the salt marshes of the northeast. Mark Seth Lender connects you to nature with passion, art, pathos and humor. Each short chapter is an intense and entertaining reflection of what he sees and experiences. He takes you right there with him, and beyond. A great read. The author is a frequent contributor to Public Radio International's program, "Living on Earth" and a natural speaker. Check out his interview about the book on Channel 3 Eyewitness News Better CT.

I got this precisely because the right-wing didactic reviewer at the WSJ didn't like it, it wasn't A.R. precise enough for her. Me? I loved the use of the words, the flowing nature of the cadence, the singing use of lyric-like words that brought me firmly into the experience of the Salt Marsh - a place of incredible complexity yet peace. Every story in this book transported us - my wife and I - before bed, with just the right length and emotion. Bravo!

I love this book. It takes me to the salt marshes in all seasons. It is an evocative, sensitive and deep look at a world most of us rarely, if ever, experience.

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