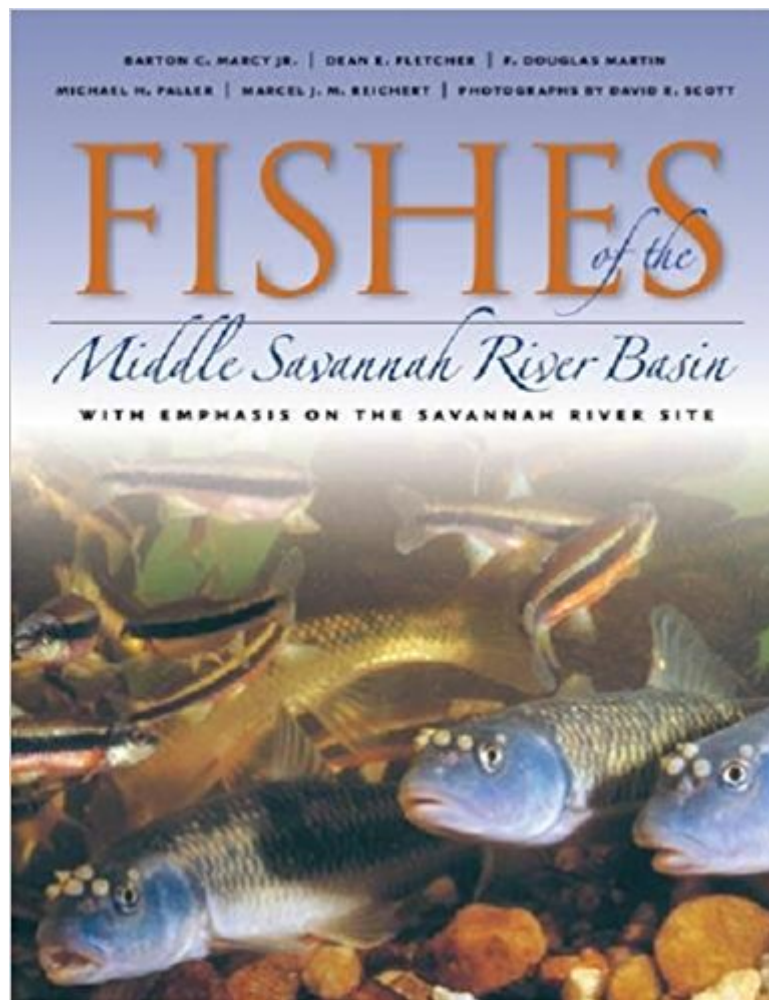




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Synopsis

Featuring more than 200 color photographs of species and habitats, this is the first comprehensive assessment of the fishes of the Middle Savannah River Basin (MSRB). Located along the Georgia-South Carolina border, the MSRB comprises the portion of the Savannah River drainage area located on the Upper Coastal Plain and edges of the Lower Coastal Plain. Until now, no state-focused books existed that were devoted to the freshwater fishes of either Georgia or South Carolina. The book identifies and discusses 100 native and introduced species from 26 fish families—approximately 70% of the native species in the entire Savannah River drainage area. Illustrated in color with photographs and a local distribution map, each species account describes the fish's appearance, meristic features, size, biology, habitat, conservation status, similarities to other species, and geographic range. The book also discusses the Savannah River, tributary streams, reservoirs, and ponds from the 1950s to the present showing ecological changes, detailed habitat descriptions, and associated fish assemblages.

Features: Coverage of approximately 7,000 square kilometers of the Savannah River drainage area, including the 780 square kilometer Savannah River Site
Detailed accounts of 96 native and introduced fish species
More than 200 color photos illustrating fish species (most live, many shown both with and without spawning colors) and numerous fish habitats
94 local species distribution maps and 6 area maps—all in color
Taxonomic identification key illustrated by 180 black and white photos
Unique fish community comparisons in highly impacted, disturbed, and undisturbed aquatic habitats
Nearly 1,000 bibliographic references

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