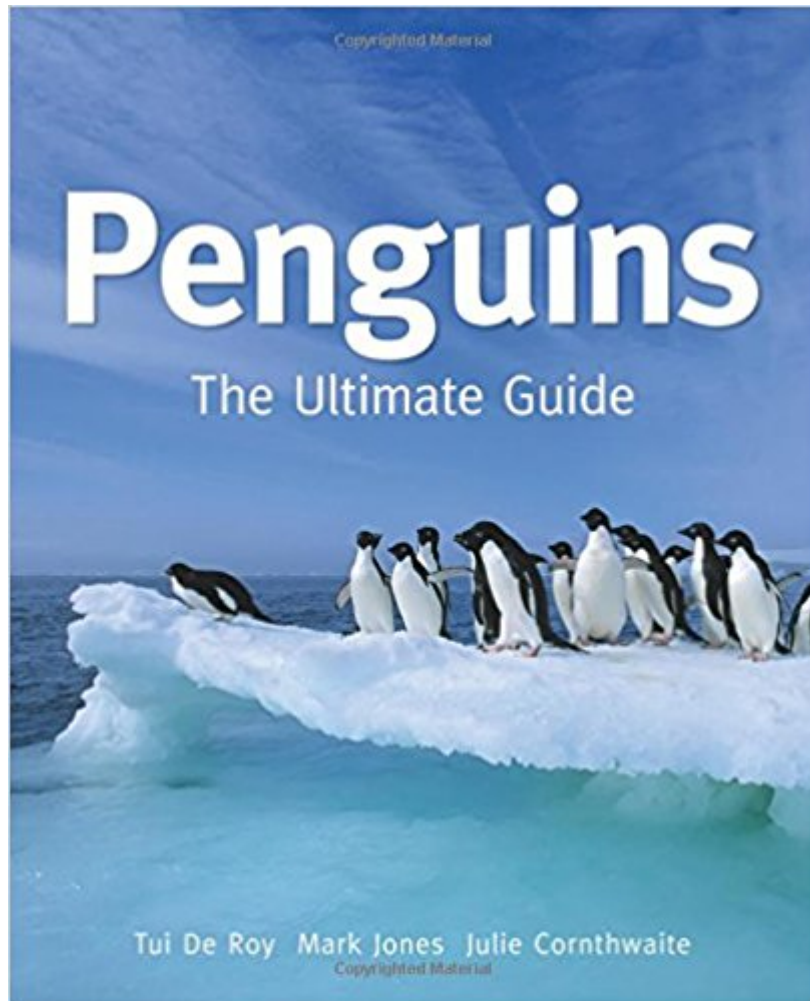




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# **Penguins: The Ultimate Guide**



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My son loves penguins-this was perfect! He is 7.

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Amazing book.

This is a great comprehensive book with beautiful pictures. It was a gift for my niece. She took it to school to show her teacher who shared it with the entire class. She was so proud.

An exquisitely beautiful book - I bought two of them.

My kid loves it

"Penguins: The Ultimate Guide" is the most recent and up to date book out about penguins. It is also one of the best. The authors are not penguin researchers but that works to their advantage since they have geared the book towards enthusiasts rather than scientists. It makes the book easier to read. They have included an essay from a scientist on each penguin species as well as compiled statistics from recent studies. However, the best thing about this book is the photos. The authors spent 15 years photographing all the penguin species and all that time and work has really paid off. If you are looking for a coffee table book full of photos of all the penguin species, "Penguins: The Ultimate Guide" is my top pick. However, if you are looking for a reference guide I still prefer "Penguin-pedia" by David Solomon because he includes more information and I like the way the information is organized. "Penguins: The Ultimate Guide" would be my second pick for a reference. "Penguins: The Ultimate Guide" is a wonderful book that belongs in the library of every penguin enthusiast.

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