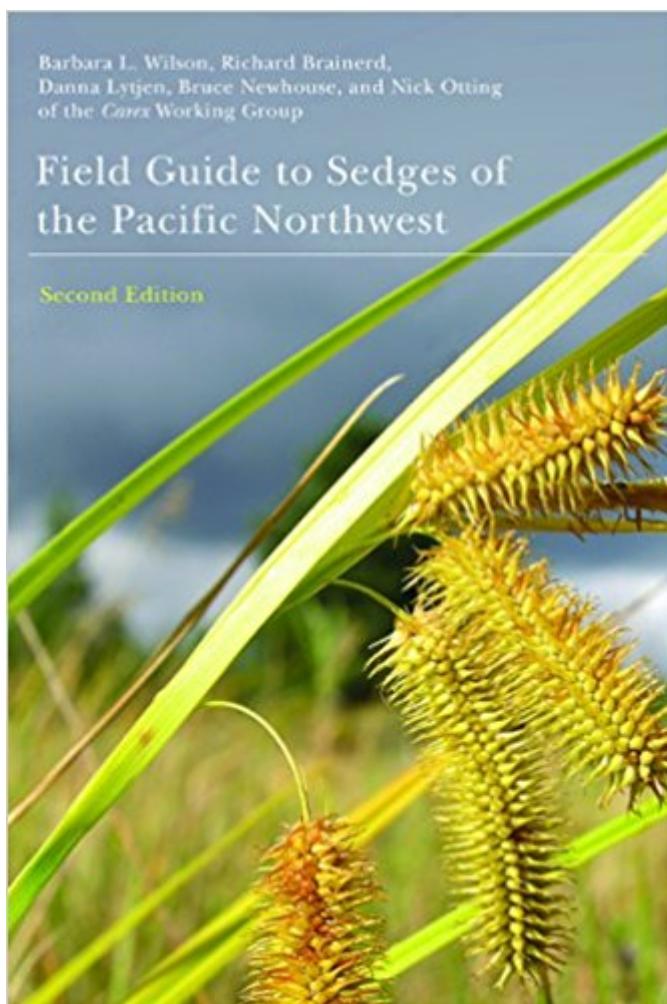


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# Field Guide To The Sedges Of The Pacific Northwest: Second Edition



## Synopsis

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The Carex Working Group is made up of Oregon botanists fascinated by sedges, grasses, willows, and other difficult-to-identify plant groups. In addition to writing about and photographing sedges, CWG completes botanical inventories, rare plant surveys, and natural resource planning projects; teaches plant identification workshops; and conducts taxonomic research on plants of the western United States.

Great guide with very helpful information on differences among look-alike species in the section on identification tips. This book makes it easier to tackle such a difficult group of plants. The photographs include close-ups of perigynia, vegetative features, and typical habitat shots. The comments section is full of additional information and it is easy to look up species as they are listed in alphabetical order. It includes most of the sedges found in Nevada and many in California too.

This is an excellent book, containing not only detailed identification keys but also beautiful photos and very thoughtful descriptions and ID tips. I work in coastal northern California, and lacking this type of local guide for my area, I got this book to help supplement the Jepson manual. There is only one species that I know to occur in my area that isn't in this book (*Carex globosa*). So those outside of Washington and Oregon should not be deterred from buying this book. Though you may not be able to use it as your primary identification resource you will find it a useful addition to your library. I even enjoyed reading the introduction.

This is great coverage of Pacific NW sedges.

Only if you are looking to ID the Genus Carex, there are no other sedge genus covered. What about Scirpus? Cyperus? Dulichium? Eliocharis? Eriophorum? Rhynchospora? I am not sure why these, some very common, are not covered.

Indispensable guide if you want to key Carex. Probably appropriate for much of Northern CA, BC, and ID too. To the other reviewer complaining this book doesn't cover other genera of sedges, there really is only one genus that comprises "sedges": Carex. That is why the other genera are called "bulrushes", "flatsedges", etc. Yes, they are all in the "sedge family" but you wouldn't expect a guide to the roses to include everything in the rose family, now would you?

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