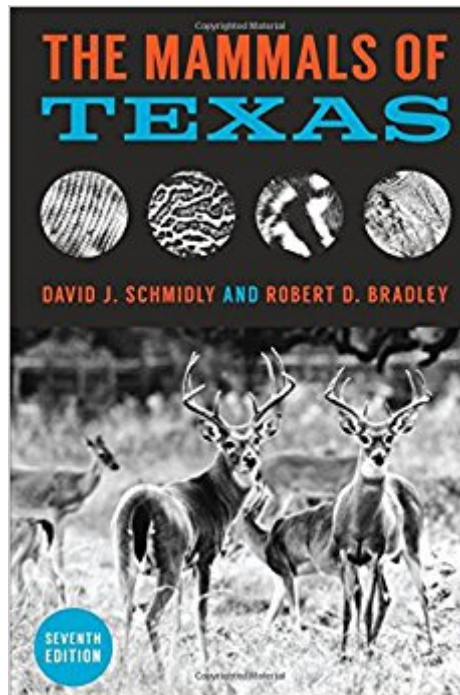




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Synopsis

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Customer Reviews

David J. Schmidly has studied Texas mammals since 1966 and has written several books about Texas mammals and natural history. He is currently a research professor of biology at the University

of New Mexico. Robert D. Bradley is a professor of biological sciences at Texas Tech University, where he is also the director and curator of mammals at the Natural Science Research Laboratory.

A great update of a great book. Dr. Bradley and Dr. Schmidly are giants in their field and this book showcases why that is.

Great update from 2004

This is a significant improvement over the sixth edition. They're more consistent about including range maps (but still exclude them for introduced species, which I find a little irksome), and species accounts are greatly expanded in many cases (including some extinct species-the discussion over just how common grizzly bears ever were in state is interesting). There's also updates to several range maps (elk, cougar, black bear, porcupine, etc) as populations have changed since 2004. The writing also seems more engaging, although that's hard to quantify. I also noticed fewer copy editing flubs (in my review for the sixth edition I noted that they'd apparently had put the size in lbs for cougars but noted labeled in kilograms--cougars don't get 200 *kilos*).

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