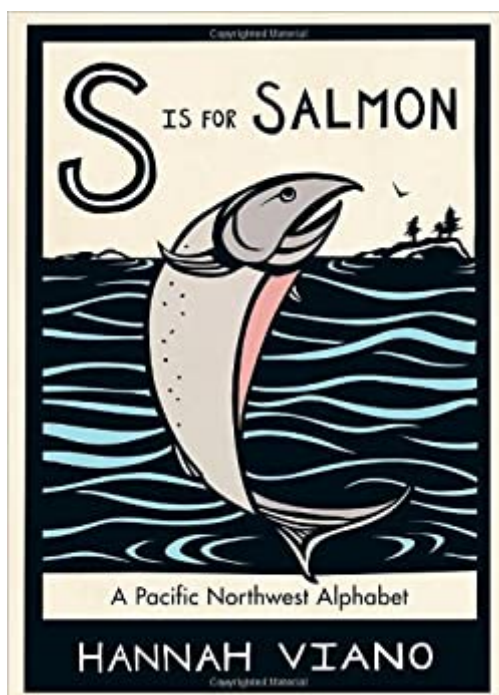


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# S Is For Salmon: A Pacific Northwest Alphabet



## Synopsis

In this beautiful ABC book, C is for Crab; D is for Douglas fir; and E is for Eagle. Based on Pacific Northwest artist Hannah Viano's regionally themed paper-cut art, this lovely children's book sheds a new light on the ABCs that will appeal to young and old alike. Fans of Nikki McClure and Kate Endle will appreciate the beautiful handmade appeal of this book.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 2 - 5 years

Grade Level: Preschool - Kindergarten

## Customer Reviews

"Anemone, blackberry, crab, Douglas fir, eagle...this elegant alphabet book mirrors the natural wonders of the Pacific Northwest. Except for the double-page spreads 'A for anemone' and 'Z for zephyr,' each Northwest entity is allotted one gift-card-perfect page, showing the capital and lowercase versions of each letter. The artwork resembles woodcuts, but Viano carves away black paper to shape her images. A soothing palette--creams, robin's-egg blue, pale greens, warm rose--sets a reflective mood in keeping with the quiet, still illustrations of close-up objects and landscapes alike. . . Much of the pictured flora and fauna, such as gull, lichen, nettle, pine cone, queen bee, etc. can be found elsewhere around the world. The author embraces her Northwest-resident status, using inclusive language like '[o]ur beloved ISLANDS' and extending her conversational tone with friendly admonitions such as 'Blame the squirrel for the falling PINECONE that hits you on the head while you rest against a tree.' Urchins and volcanoes and whales, oh my!

This eye-catching alphabet book affectionately showcases the Northwest's bountiful beauty."Kirkus Reviews"Teach kids to read the Northwest way with S is for Salmon...a new alphabet book by Seattle artist Hannah Viano, featuring gorgeous paper-cut illustrations of local flora and fauna."Seattle magazine". . . this quintessential alphabet book for Northwest kids brings together gorgeous paper-cut artwork with pages dedicated to all that is living in the Northwest. . . L is for lichen, M is for morel, O is for octopus. . . in a way that celebrates the beauty of our home and everything that makes it unique. . . This book is perfect for the little (or big) explorer in your family."Red Tricycle"Beautiful paper-cut illustrations highlight Northwest flora and fauna, from B for blackberry to R for rhododendron. Muted pastel colors accent the pictures, created by cutting away black paper. A sentence per page offers a bit of child-friendly information, such as 'Horsetails are 100 million years old and still make the best pretend swords.'"The Seattle Times"Here's a cute little book that teaches the ABCs Northwest style! 'S is for Salmon' by Seattle artist Hannah Viano is fun to read and pretty to look at. Beef up your Northwest vocabulary with words like: anemone, morel, lichen, horsetail and more."South Sound" "If you have ever been on a hike in the Columbia Gorge or gazed upon majestic Mount Hood, then you might agree the Pacific Northwest is a magical place. Hannah Viano perfectly illustrates this magic in her debut children's book, S is for Salmon."NW Kids"Pacific Northwest artist Viano uses a paper-cut style. . . an art involving cutting from a sheet of black paper. . . to illustrate this striking alphabet book with images of plants and animals from the coasts and forests of the Cascadia region. Featuring 26 full-page illustrations (colorized lightly) this book will delight young readers and adults alike."Alaska Airlines Magazine" "S is for Salmon" is a striking, elegant alphabet book for families in the Pacific Northwest (and beyond) that expands young readers' vocabularies and tickles the fancy of parents reading along. . . Author and artist Hannah Viano created the enchanting Pacific Northwest alphabet book out of gorgeous paper-cut art. The bold artwork contrasts thick black lines with soothing colors to create an alphabet book that's distinctive and eye-catching, yet peaceful enough for reading aloud together at bedtime. . . S is for Salmon" should quickly join the ranks of other popular souvenir books for families visiting the Seattle area, like "Wheedle on the Needle" or "Larry Gets Lost in Seattle. It's the perfect gift if you're looking for something special to give friends and relatives visiting this rainy spring. It also makes a great baby shower gift for local parents. . . Flipping through the pages will effortlessly bring back memories of a relaxing vacation to the Pacific Northwest or, in my case, motivate local parents to head outside and explore the natural life in their own backyard."Seattle's Child" "Viano's compositions convey our region's flora, fauna and geography with pleasing simplicity and her written

definitions are a nice combination of natural history and whimsy." The Bellingham Herald "Author and illustrator Hannah Viano's *S Is For Salmon* is not your typical ABC book. It is fresh, the artwork is excellent and every kiddo practicing their ABCs should have a copy of this beautiful book."Portland Book Review"Throughout the pages of *S is for Salmon*, your child's imagination will take in the bold block prints, exploring the native species that fill the forests, rivers and meadows of Washington State and its neighbors . . . *S* From salmon to trillium, lichen to zephyr winds, you will never be bored in the Northwest and we have our own ABCs to prove it."Walking on Travels"*S is for Salmon* is not only informative, but a highly appealing and engaging, which will provide preschoolers and young elementary school children a great stepping stone toward higher level text."Wild Tales Of"There are plenty of alphabet books out there so many that you can afford to be pretty picky when choosing which titles to check out from the library or purchase and add to your child's personal home collection. . . recently I came across a stunning and unique new alphabet book, Hannah Viano's *S is for Salmon: A Pacific Northwest Alphabet* from Sasquatch Books; this is one I can't stop looking at, and it's become a new favorite of mine."itty bitty". . . a gorgeously crafted, hardcover alphabet book that showcases natural elements like humpback whales, and bald eagles with [Hannah Viano's] vibrant, handcrafted illustrations."Portland Monthly

HANNAH VIANO is an artist and illustrator living in Seattle who strives to mix natural history and art together in accessible ways, through public art projects, education, and site-specific installations.

This puts the whole series of "E is for Evergreen" and other US state alphabet books to shame. I just talked with my local children's librarian and she said those aren't really checking out. And I'm pretty sure it's because they read like juvenile encyclopedias. Parents are delighted with all the info in "Discover America State by State" series but they can start to feel a little contrived to me. This title by Hannah Viano however, is a wonderfully unique and fresh perspective on tired old alphabet books. There is just the right amount of text to engage a toddler type and the pictures are pure eye candy. She did cheat a little on the letter X, but so do 90% of other ABC books. And I'd rather have a cheat with a cool picture (X is for Fox) and relevance than a forced X letter that has nothing to do with this area. Besides, kids will eventually have to learn that X is just a tricky letter with few words anyway...All in all, a super lovely book. Would make an excellent gift too.

This book and the B IS FOR BEAR book have great illustrations that capture the eye and imagination. The simple explanations for each word add to the artwork. Great ABC book for all ages.

I use this book in my classroom to teach vocabulary as we review the letters and letter sounds. The words used in the text are wonderful. Many of my students are not from this area, and even those that have lived here their whole lives know very little about the amazing life around us. The art in the book is also beautiful. This book will be used in my classroom for years to come!

Beautiful and creative alphabet book for Pacific NW kids, especially for outdoorsy families already familiar with our flora and fauna. It feels personal and local, and the images are gorgeous and striking.

Fun illustrations, easy to read (as in, flows well, which keeps kids interested). A nice alternative to the usual steam shovel or truffle trees. Kuddos to the artist especially for nailing the PNW, totem feel.

Great book with awesome illustrations!

Got this for our daughter who is using it to teach her pre-schoolers the letters of the alphabet. Perfect for this PNW family!

Daughter loves the book and the art is beautiful. Good book to grow withy 3 mo loves the black and white art and will grow through her stages with simple ABC to more detailed scientific PNW facts

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