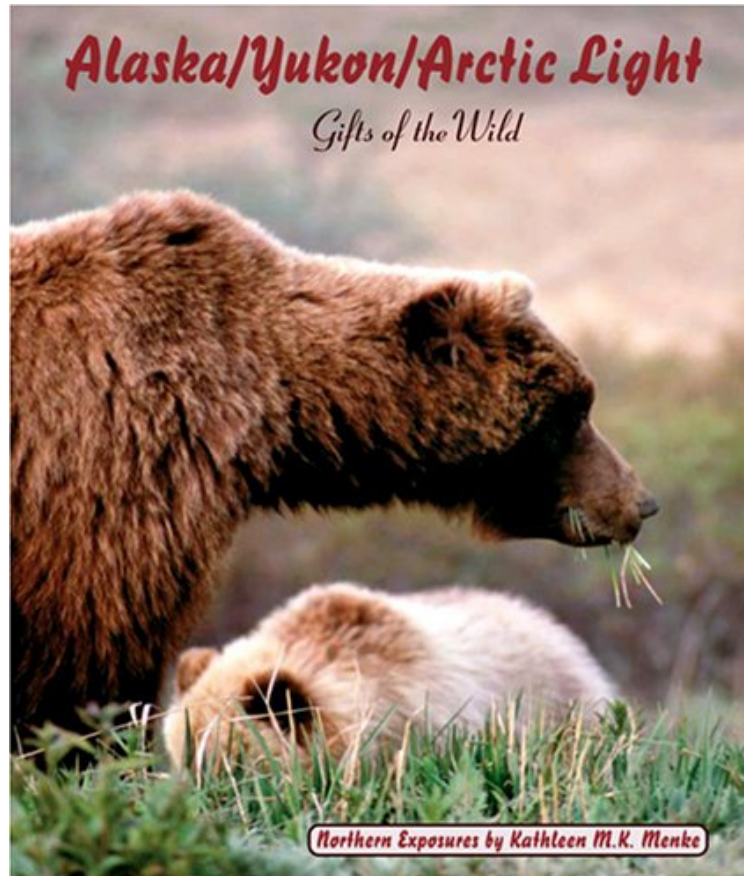


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Kathleen M.K. Menke : **Alaska/Yukon/Arctic Light: Gifts of the Wild** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Alaska/Yukon/Arctic Light: Gifts of the Wild:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful Photo Book of WildlifeBy Peter N. JonesLast week I was in Washington D.C., where I went to the National Zoo. I saw all sorts of animals, including bears, wolves, seals, and various other animals. What I really liked, however, was that I got to spend some time just watching the animals as they went about their day. It was very intimate; seeing how each animal behaved and recognizing that each one had their own consciousness. It was sad to leave, I wanted to continue learning and watching these magnificent animals.Well, what a pleasant surprise when I arrived home and found the photography book Alaska/Yukon/Arctic Light: Gifts of the Wild. Captured in stunning color by photographer Kathleen M.K. Menke, here were images of northern animals and their environment in as intimate setting as I had just experienced, although in this book all wildlife images are taken exclusively in their natural, wild settings of the Far North, where clearly there is no separation between the landscape and the individual wild spirit of creature. Slowly going over the 175+ original photos I was once again able to see a closer, more personal side to the animals and their northern environment.Celebrating the importance and nuances light has in the Far North, this book takes a close-up look at how life changes and revolves

around the sun through the seasons. Animal lovers, biologists, environmentalists, and lovers of the outdoors will cherish this excellent photography book. Like Kathleen's other book, "Haines for All Seasons: Northern Exposures from Alaska Reflecting Our Bond to the Land and Each Other," her newest photography book is a must have. See the Far North like you have never before, through the lens of an expert photographer and animal lover! Peter N. Jones
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Named Nature Book of the Year Award 2007 Finalist by ForeWord Magazine, announced March 2008.

Alaska/Yukon/Arctic Light is: the dramatically increasing light of spring, transforming the landscape; the light that quickens the urge to migrate, mate and bring forth young; the light of blooming color; the force that cycles the seasons; the energy that connects the region's beings to each other; the light of an approaching storm, the aurora borealis, and the midnight sun; the light of pure creative energy reflected from wild eyes into our own. This book is a celebration of light and all that flows from it--especially the awakening, quickening light of spring in the far north that creates dramatic changes in the landscape each day. The perfect gift to share the light, landscape, and life of the Far North with someone you love, including yourself.

I made my way through your book slowly and carefully, page by page, as soon as it arrived. I love the way it captures the essence and beauty of the northern wild, and the tenderness in so many of your photographs, the obvious passion you bring to your work here in the home country. --Richard K. Nelson, Sitka, Alaska, Author of "The Island Within" and "Make Prayers to the Raven" and host of NPR's northern natural history program

"Encounters" "Alaska/Yukon/Arctic Light--Gifts of the Wild" offers readers a wonderful collage of photographs that captures the beauty of light in the Far North. Through the seasons, Kathleen Menke gives us glimpses of an amazing diversity of flora and fauna, with stunning views of wilderness, from the Chilkat River and Denali Park, to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. This is a book that truly celebrates life in the Far North and the magical light that sustains it. --Debbie Miller, Fairbanks, Alaska, Author of "Midnight Wilderness"

These vivid images eloquently reflect the beauty of this luminous land. Kathleen's lens is a reverent portal. --Tim Shields, Artist/Wildlife Biologist, Haines, Alaska
About the Author
Author/Photographer Kathleen Marie Kennell Menke has been professionally photographing subjects that capture her interest and her heart for over twenty years. Her work has been published in numerous regional, national, and international publications. She has been a resident of Haines, Alaska, for eleven years.

Alaska/Yukon/Arctic Light is her second book. Her first photo book, the local and regional bestseller "Haines for All Seasons--Northern Exposures from Alaska Reflecting Our Bond to the Land and Each Other", was published in 2005. Both books are available at museums, libraries, bookstores, and gift shops throughout Alaska, the Yukon, and beyond as well as directly from the author at akmk.com.