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This volume is about the size of the Audubon field guides and is easy to carry and fairly lightweight. There is a general discussion at the beginning of the book on the history of dogs, the different types, and basically general information including grooming, training etc. The keyword here is general, this information is not breed specific. The book is divided in the sections for Terriers, Working Dogs, Toys, etc. There is an illustration or photograh for each breed with about a paragraph of text on each breed. This text includes origin, description, personality, and uses. It should be noted these are brief general descriptions of the breed. Readers who want extensive information on a specific breed are advised to get a breed specific book. However if this book is taken in the spirit it was written, as a brief identification guide it is more than adequate. For readers who want a general guide with a little more text and larger pictures should consider the Atlas of Dog Breeds, but it should be noted this is a heavy book not easy to carry around and also does not go in to a great deal of depth on each breed. With that being said I would recommend this book as an easy to carry identification guide, affordable, and it would actually be a good book for children and teenagers who are interested in dogs and would like an overview to identify breeds and which ones they would like to do further reading and research on.

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