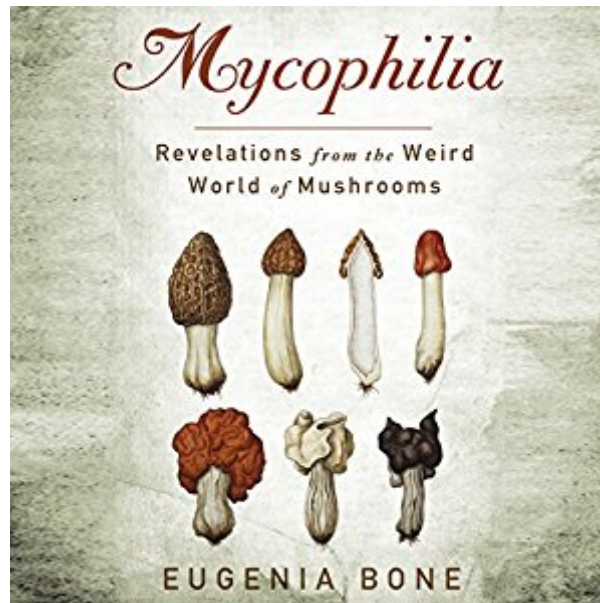




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Mycophilia: Revelations From The Weird World Of Mushrooms



Synopsis

In *Mycophilia*, accomplished food writer and cookbook author Eugenia Bone examines the role of fungi as exotic delicacy, curative, poison, and hallucinogen, and ultimately discovers that a greater understanding of fungi is key to facing many challenges of the 21st century. Engrossing, surprising, and packed with up-to-date science and cultural exploration, *Mycophilia* is part narrative and part primer for foodies, science buffs, environmental advocates, and anyone interested in learning a lot about one of the least understood and most curious organisms in nature.

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Customer Reviews

Mycophilia is the kind of book you can re-read over and over. As a beginner mushroom enthusiast, I was delighted to read about mushroom culture, types of mushrooms (thanks for introducing me to candy caps!) and the many many directions that my new found mushroom love can lead me.

One persons personal experience through mushrooms and mushroom people. Well written and organized in a story-like fashion. Personal feelings, emotions, and understanding of the world shared with everyone in an open manner. Bored and cant get out to the woods to mushroom hunt? - Read this book. Looking forward to reading more into Mrs. Bones writing.

I came to this book because of research I am doing on symbiosis and microorganisms and a growing fascination with all things tiny and weird that keep our ecosystem thriving. Eugenia Bone is a compatible, sometimes funny, honest knowledgeable guide to a beginner in the world of

mushrooms and all things fungus. I loved learning about the sociology of mushroom people, how to (and how not to) grow mushrooms in your apartment. How the world is permeated with fungi (yes, I am a bit creeped out knowing that everything has fungi in it!). And how wondrous the world is and how tied together by mushroom threads, fungal spores, etc. we are. Also a lot of fun are the cultural takes and attitudes about mushrooms. I have travelled in Eastern Europe a lot and mushroom hunting is a sacred skill, sadly disappearing as a younger generation prefers texting and computers, which aren't bad in themselves, but it is a loss that the knowledge is disappearing. These folks got most of their minerals from mushrooms! In any case, the book is great to just learn about mushrooms in a grand general sense and to look at the world from a totally new perspective.

This is a fun romp from a foodie who loves mushrooms as much as me or the next myco lover. Get this and meet this woman. Wonderful book

This is a book with multiple areas of interest. Eugenia Bone starts out not knowing a thing about mushrooms except that they grow on people's lawns. The reader can follow her personal growth in "mushroomology" and learn a thing or two as well. Bone investigates the nature of a mushroom foray - like what goes on at these things besides a walk in the woods and a collection of mushrooms? She investigates psychotropic mushrooms - what does high really mean and does it have any value whatsoever other than getting high? . Is the mushroom really useful from a medical point of view? Or, what about environmental remediation using fungus???? This book is imminently readable and fascinating. I'd recommend it to anyone who starts out being who's interested in mushrooms.

Some parts were interesting, but just a rehash of stuff that's been known for a long time. More like a personal diary than anything else.

A bible for those of us who are a little odd.

This is a great book for anyone interested in mycology. Even if you are not an extreme "mycophiliac", Bone's style of writing is quite enjoyable and takes the reader on a fantastic journey. First-person experiences as well as interesting facts kept me from putting this book down. It is a real page-turner.

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