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FISHING BOOK REVIEW:

Ron Schara's "Minnesota Fishing Guide" (Tristan Outdoors, \$19.95) covers most aspects of fishing in the state along with anecdotes about each type of fish. Beginning anglers can read about what to look for when buying equipment, depending on what they want to fish for, as well as how to assemble different fishing rigs.

The book also has tips on how to catch any of the species of fish found in Minnesota lakes, from walleyes and crappies to catfish and bullheads.

Each type of fish has its own chapter making up the heart of the 276-page book. Some groups of fish are put into the same category, such as panfish, which include perch, bluegills and crappies. Walleyes have their own chapter. The breakdown of each species allows for more detail on where to look for a particular type of fish, as well as different methods on how to catch them, and whether to use live or artificial bait. A brief history of each fish is included in each section.

The book includes a comprehensive list of the state's fishable lakes sorted by county. The list includes the size of the lake and which gamefish species are present.