B Is For Blue Crab: A Maryland Alphabet (Discover America State By State)
Located just below the Mason-Dixon line, Maryland is flavored with both northern and southern culture and tradition. Defined by the largest estuary in the United States (The Chesapeake Bay), Maryland's historic sites/sights include capital city Annapolis and the U.S. Naval Academy, Muddy Creek Falls, and the running of the Preakness Stakes in Baltimore. Noteworthy residents include Harriet Tubman and Francis Scott Key. Shirley C. Menendez grew up in Staunton, Virginia, and graduated from Mary Baldwin College. She earned a master's degree in library science from Drexel University. Before joining the administrative staff of Georgetown University, she was a librarian in the Prince George's County Memorial Library System in Maryland and the Westchester Library System in New York. Shirley lives in Gaithersburg, Maryland, with her husband, who is also a writer. Laura Stutzman graduated from the Art Institute of Pittsburgh, and in 1984 formed a studio called Eloqui with her husband, illustrator Mark Stutzman. She has created imagery for books and magazines, corporations, non-profit organizations, and privately commissioned portraits. Laura teaches a weeklong camp each year for children grades 8 through 12 who are serious about art. She makes her home in Mountain Lake Park, Maryland.

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**Customer Reviews**
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I love how this book is organized. I read the simple rhymes to my youngest kids and my older kids enjoy reading the lengthier sections on each page. It was very informative. I would need the book to know them all but here is what it covers:

A - Annapolis
B - Blue Crab/Black Eyed Susan
C - Chesapeake Bay Retriever
D - Ark and Dove (D for dove)
E - Eastern Shore
F - Fort Frederick
G - Glen Echo Park
H - Historic Battlefield of Antietam
I - Inner Harbor
J - Jousting
K - Francis Scott Key
L - Lighthouses
M - Muddy Creek Falls
N - U.S. Naval Academy
O - Oriole
P - Preakness
Q - Queen Henrietta Maria
R - Railroad (B&O)
S - Skipjack
T - Harriet Tubman
U - Johnny Unitas
V - American Visionary Art Museum
W - Watermen
X - X-rays at John Hopkins
Y - Camden Yards
Z - Zoo

Great book, but not what I thought it would be. The cover makes it look like it’s for younger kids, but the inside has a lot of words and more sophisticated pictures. Still a great gift, but a bit more mature.

Excellent, ABC book about Maryland. Great artwork and content. Highly recommend for all ages including upper elementary!!

Great book about Maryland. I have given it as a gift to those moving into or out of Maryland. It was very much appreciated. The book has wonderful pictures and shows many places in the state of Maryland.

This a great beginner book for both grade school kids and adults. The illustrations were very well done. My 3rd grade granddaughter loves this book and it helps her learn something about MD. She lives in WA and comes to visit. Now we can go see some of the things she has read about. What makes this so cool is that on one page is material for grade school kids and on the other is some material, in more depth, for young adults or adults. So, she reads her part then I read the more detailed part. Very cool.

I like it. Easy to move through the book and able to share with my other devices. I will download
Fantastic book with great facts about the state!

Glad I was able to order this as it is difficult to find in a bookstore. Great images and information for learning about Maryland.

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