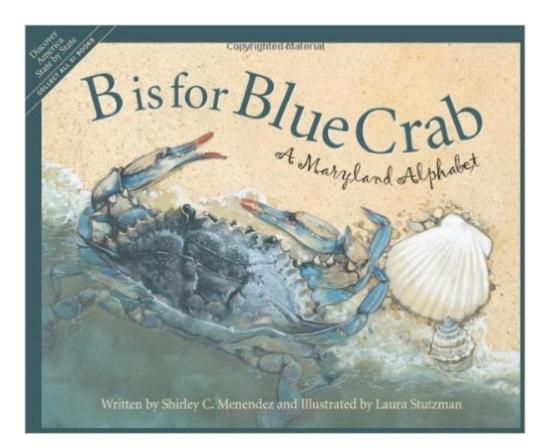
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# B Is For Blue Crab: A Maryland Alphabet (Discover America State By State)





## Synopsis

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.

### **Book Information**

Series: Discover America State by State Hardcover: 40 pages Publisher: Sleeping Bear Press; 1st Printing edition (September 22, 2004) Language: English ISBN-10: 1585361607 ISBN-13: 978-1585361601 Product Dimensions: 9 x 1 x 11 inches Shipping Weight: 1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.9 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (17 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #200,630 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #74 in Books > Children's Books > Education & Reference > History > United States > State & Local #428 in Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Explore the World > United States #1037 in Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Multicultural Stories Age Range: 6 - 8 years Grade Level: 1 - 3

#### **Customer Reviews**

I bought this book for a 2-year-old, but it is definitely for an older child, so I am giving it to a 5-year-old instead. The illustrations are colorful and realistic -- almost photographic in detail. Each letter represents something about Maryland. For instance, E is for Eastern Shore. There is a short verse pertaining to each letter, as well as a side-panel that gives a longer, more detailed explanation about that thing. This is the type of book that should stay in the family library, and can be enjoyed by adults too. If my grandmother were still alive, I would buy it for her, because she had so much Maryland pride.

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 - AnnapolisB - Blue Crab/Black Eyed SusanC -Chesapeake Bay RetrieverD - Ark and Dove (D for dove)E - Eastern ShoreF - Fort FrederickG -Glen Echo ParkH - Historic Battlefield of AntietamI - Inner HarborJ - JoustingK - Francis Scott KeyL - LighthousesM - Muddy Creek FallsN - U.S. Naval AcademyO - OrioleP - PreaknessQ - Queen Henrietta MariaR - Railroad (B&O)S - SkipjackT - Harriet TubmanU - Johnny UnitasV - American Visionary Art MuseumW - WatermenX - X-rays at John HopkinsY - Camden YardsZ - Zoo

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.

This is a great series - esp. if you'd like to introduce a place before visiting. We bought L is for Lobster before visiting Maine & found it was fun for many levels of readers and great pics for the little ones.

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.

interesting for a child as well as the adult that is reading it. It grows with the child. It has a childs

version, then a history version as they grow to understand. Very good book.

I bought this book for kids who have recently moved to Maryland. It gives a lot of interesting facts of the state of Maryland. And the illustrations are wonderful.

Loved this book! It shows a lot about Maryland . You won't be disappointed with it at all. Took it to a baby shower and the person loved it.

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