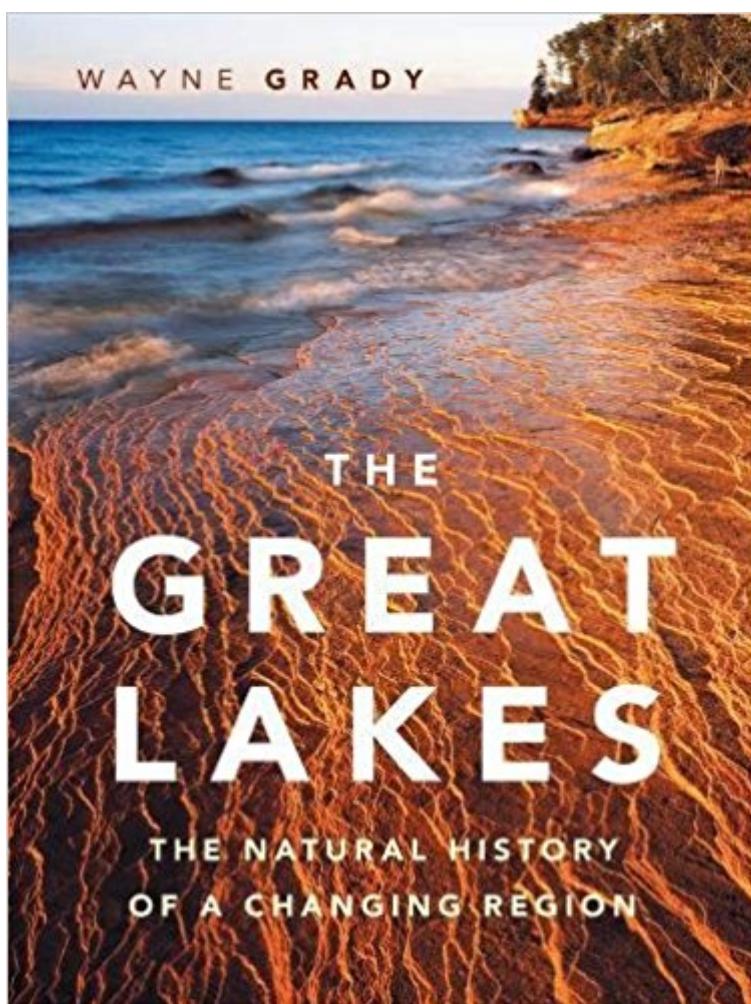


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Great overview of geology, botany, zoology, and ecology that is accessible for a general audience.

I was looking for more resource information concerning the GL and this book provided that. As an American reader, I was hoping for more US information but the Canadian view point of the GL should not be missed.

Very well done on the evolution of the Great lakes ;Goes into details on everything. Some very good pictures.

Very informative. Impressed by what I got for the price I paid!

excellent

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