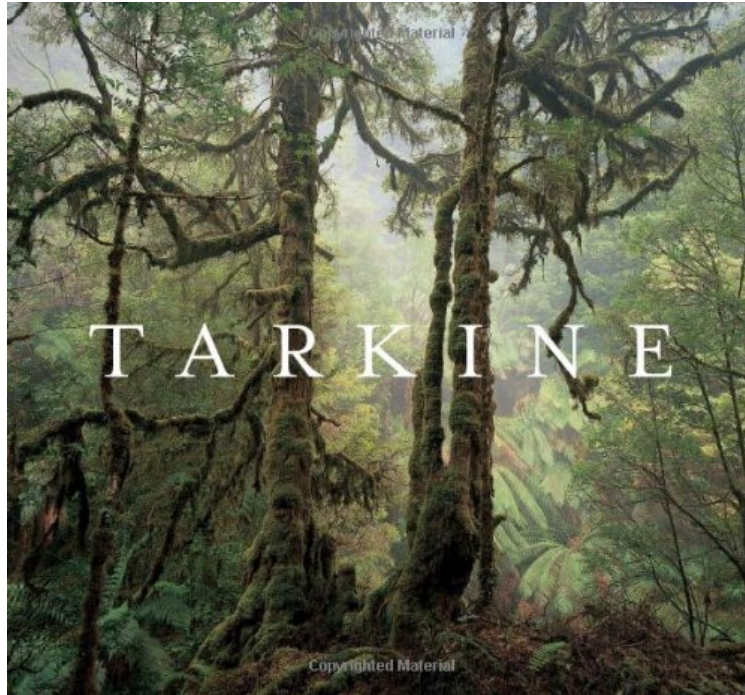


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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Great photo book on a great wilderness By KoutaR
Tarkine is a pristine, but unfortunately largely unprotected and threatened, forested wilderness in northwestern Tasmania. This book introduces Tarkine with artistic and beautiful photographs. A few poems are also included. Main subjects of the photos fall into following arbitrary classes: river 9, waterfall 6, forest interior 10, individual tree(s) 13, other plants/fungi/part of tree 13, animal 6, landscape with moorland/ranges/forest canopies 20, mountain 2, rock/stones 11, clouds/fog 6, coast 9 and lake 1. All the captions have been placed at the end of the book. Many captions give the main species in photos but unfortunately not all. Many photos could be larger - they do not always fill an entire page. I recommend this book if you are interested in pristine nature or nature photography.

The Tarkine is one of the largest temperate rainforests on Earth, covering an area of 4,500 square kilometers in Tasmania's north-west. This vast expanse is a wilderness wonderland of wild rivers, dramatic coastal heathlands, button grass plains, bare mountains, ancient Huon pines, giant eucalypts, and myrtles and extraordinary horizontal scrub. It is home to rare and endangered birds like the orange-bellied parrot and the white goshawk and countless animals such as the eastern pygmy possum. For 30,000 years, until late in the 19th century, the Tarkine was also home to the Tarkiner people their middens can still be found along the rugged coast. But all this is under threat from human activities which imperil its very existence. Captured by Tasmania's most celebrated photographers, this is the Tarkine rainforest in all its timeless glory. Over a hundred awe-inspiring shots of this truly haunting landscape from the most

delicate and detailed of subjects to sweeping aerial viewseach accompanied by brief inspirational passages from leading local writers. Tarkine is a remarkable record of this landscape and a reminder that it is the responsibility of us all to protect this unique place.

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