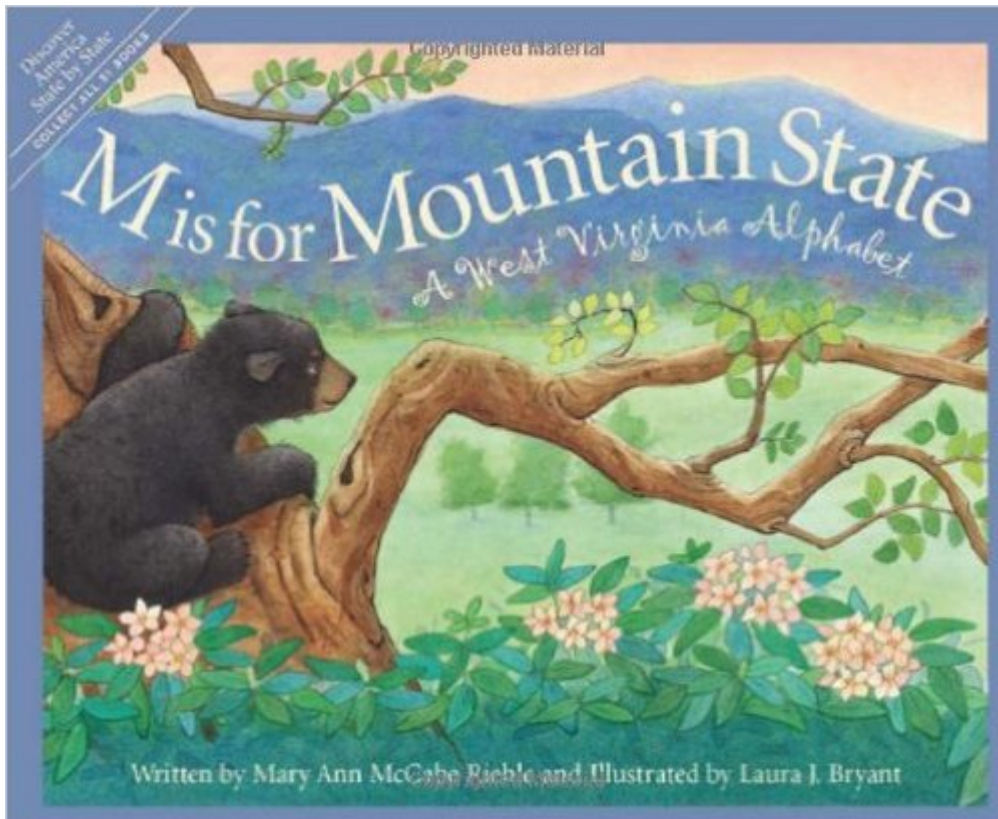


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# M Is For Mountain State: A West Virginia Alphabet (Discover America State By State)



## Synopsis

With its multitude of mountains and the highest elevation east of the Rockies, it's no wonder West Virginia's nickname is the "Mountain State." Abundant natural resources make it a leader in both industry and recreation, from glassmaking to rock climbing. Historic sites and sights include Harper's Ferry and the annual Native American Pow Wow, along with Lost World Caverns and White Sulphur Springs. Noteworthy West Virginians include Chuck Yeager and Olympian Mary Lou Retton. Mary Ann McCabe Riehle learned to appreciate the importance of reading and writing while growing up in the neighboring state of Kentucky. She graduated from Xavier University with a degree in Communication Arts and Education and has been a featured author and guest speaker at reading, writing, and library conferences. Mary Ann lives in Michigan with her husband, two daughters and their dog, Bisbee. Laura J. Bryant attended the Maryland Institute of Art and spent many years working in the display industry, which involved both illustrating, and designing scenery for projects including stage backdrops and corporate galas. She currently devotes all of her attention to the creation of children's books. Laura's other titles include *A Fairy in a Dairy*, *Smudge Bunny*, and the bestselling book *God Gave Us You*. Laura and her husband live in Mathias, West Virginia.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

Excellent book! I grew up in WV and appreciated all of the wonderful facts, trivia, etc. It has a fun 'story line' for younger kids to enjoy, then has side bars that older kids or adults can read to get more information. Great artwork. We received it as a gift. Love it!

It is a good book with great illustrations. Can be for younger children or older children (captions on the sides of each page offer more detail for older children). I love books about West Virginia and love to share these with my son (age 2). My only complaint is I thought the rhyming was a bit cheesy and a bit stretched. I kept getting tongue tied because the rhymes did not flow well. But overall, a must have for any West Virginia child.

I purchased this book for my grandsons. We are from and proud of the mountain state and this book showcases West Virginia. The illustrations are beautiful too!

This whole series of state alphabet books is wonderful! Very well-written, researched, illustrated. Get your state--or states you have been to--and enjoy the information with your child.

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