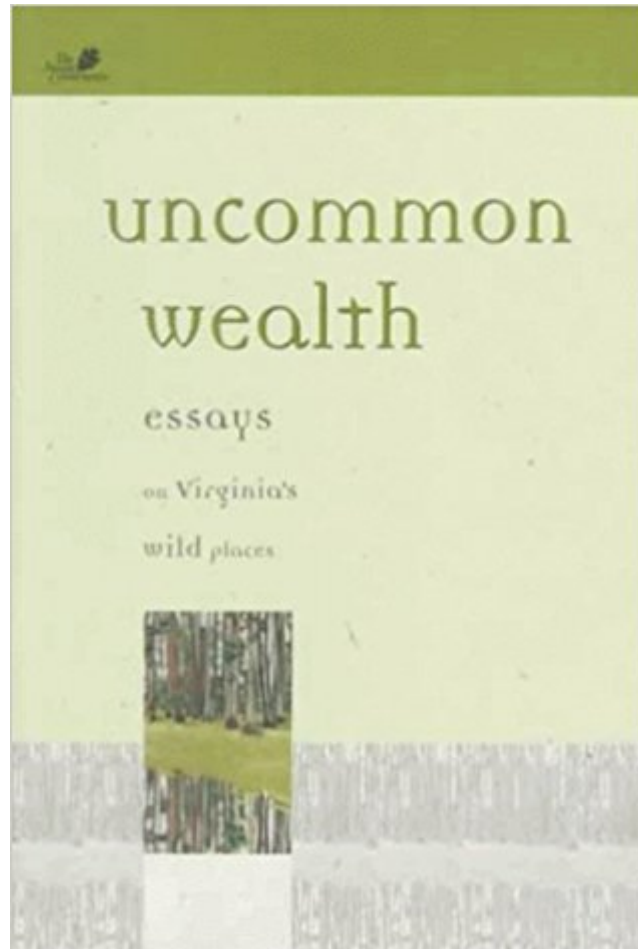




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When I began to read about the place in my home state now owned and protected by the Nature Conservancy, I wanted to join this environmentally concerned organization. Who knew, for example, that they own part of the Great Dismal Swamp and have even constructed boardwalks so a visitor can walk through part of it and see rare birds and cypress knees? I knew where nearly every wild place was in the state, which made me want to travel and take my grandchildren so they will grow up knowing, too.

Great writing about some places I'm familiar with. I learned a lot about my home state, but this book could be enjoyed by anyone because the writing is so good.

This is an excellent book, especially if you live, or have ever lived, in beautiful Virginia. Even if you have no ties to Virginia, this book is an excellent collection of essays for the wildlife and nature lover--and the wild at heart. Highly recommended.

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