
White, Gilbert, 1720-1793, Naturalists -- England -- Selborne (Hampshire) -- Biography, Naturalists, Hampshire Selborne Natural history White, Gilbert - Biographies. Publisher. London : Century.Â ix, 239 pages, 8 unnumbered pages of plates : 22 cm. Includes index. Includes bibliographical references (pages 219-231) and index. GrrlScientist: A timeless classic of nature writing that has been enhanced by the skilful editing of Cambridge University research scholar, Anne Secord.Â This book is a compilation of letters that naturalist and ornithologist Gilbert White (1720-93) presumably wrote and posted to his contemporaries; naturalist and antiquarian, Thomas Pennant (44), and Daines Barrington (66), an English barrister and Fellow of the Royal Society. But it's obvious that at least some of these "letters" (i.e.; Letter 1 to Thomas Pennant, Esquire) were actually written specifically for this book, to provide a context and framework around which the entire collection revolves. Along this same vein, this edition of White's classic includes additional context. The Natural History and Antiquities of Selborne, or just The Natural History of Selborne is a book by English parson-naturalist Gilbert White (1720â€“1793). It was first published in 1789 by his brother Benjamin. It has been continuously in print since then, with nearly 300 editions up to 2007. The book was published late in White's life, compiled from a mixture of his letters to other naturalistsâ€”Thomas Pennant and Daines Barrington; a 'Naturalist's Calendar' (in the second edition) comparing phenology.