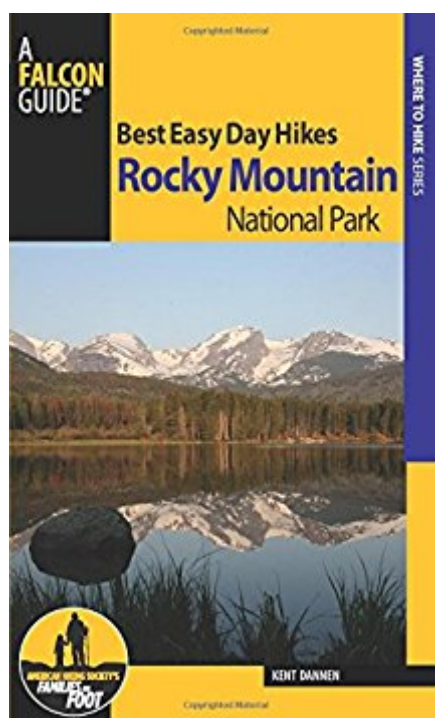


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Rocky Mountain National Park



Customer Reviews

I bought this guide to use for a family vacation in RMNP and it was fabulous! The guide is organized well, according to where in the park the trailheads are located. I liked that, because we were able to take advantage of the best hikes closest to where we stayed in Estes Park, and were able to plan to do several in one day when things were nearby. It also gave you all the helpful information you needed about each hike - length (round trip), parking situation, how to get to the trailhead, difficulty level, if you can get there by the shuttle, best times to do the hike, and a basic map of the trail with nearby landmarks like other trailheads, picnic spots, roads, etc. We had people in our group of all different hiking abilities, and this book was really enough for everyone. Some of us who weren't able to do long or very strenuous hikes were able to enjoy the easiest and best hikes (from .5 miles to 2.0 miles round trip) like the Bear Lake nature trail, Sprague Lake, Nymph Lake, and Alberta Falls. The more energetic folks in my group, on the other hand, took a few mornings to do more moderate hikes (what this book calls "moderately easy" felt more like "moderate" to me, but I guess I am still a beginner!) like Mills Lake, The Loch, and Gem Lake, which were challenging for us but very do-able and WELL worth the extra effort! Hiking is the absolute best way to see the true beauty of RMNP, so if you are thinking of taking a trip there, you absolutely MUST venture off Trail Ridge Road, get out of the car, and go for a walk. Trust me, there is something out there for everyone, even those looking for hikes with small children.

A good small book with a few easy hikes in RMNP. It's good in that it is a really small and compact book (inexpensive as well) so it's easy to store in your pack or car and its limited in that there aren't that many hikes in the actual text- but hey it's a small book, so it is a tradeoff. No topo maps (or anything really scaled) but there are simple maps and most of these trails are generally well marked. In retrospect i would probably have spent a few more dollars and purchased a book with more hikes and general information. A few good easy hikes for sure but another 75 pages of hikes would have made this book 4+ stars. Also, even though these trails are fairly well marked; ensure that you have adequate water, layers and supplies before setting out on your RMNP hike. Happy Trails!

This is an excellent book for easy day hikes as the title suggests. Particularly a nice guide for families with young children, as many of these hikes are accessible and easy but still offer great views in the park. Each hike is introduced with a chart giving summary data about the hike. Directions on how to get there, a route description and very well done maps complete the

information. The size of the book as well as the quality of the drawn maps make this a very good take-along guide when one is actually in the park.

Though I later discovered you could find this information and more on rockymountainhikingtrails.com, it was still nice to have save the paper and ink and have the maps and info all in one book. I wish they had more pictures in the book, however.

Sadly, I only had a day in Rocky Mountain National Park. And that from the less popular western side. But my theory has long been that you are best off doing several short hikes instead of one long one when you only have a day or two in a park. And that's where Falcon's popular 'Best Easy Day Hikes' series can be a real value. Using this book I was able to select a diverse range of hikes to allow me to escape my car and explore some of what this park offers. Did I really "see" Rocky Mountain? Nope. But I saw more (moose and elk in particular) than I would have from the road. And that was worth the purchase price on my kindle edition. Like most Falcon Guides in this series, 'Best easy Day Hikes, Rocky Mountain' features around 20 hikes, all under 8 miles with many that are 3 miles or less. You get a detailed route description, a nice sketch map, driving directions to the trail head, mileage, and a difficulty rating. You don't get pictures (besides the cover photo) or topography. But then the Best Easy Day Hikes series are fairly inexpensive for a reason. They are basically shortened versions of longer books in Falcon's 'Best Hikes' series. And if you have more than a few days, or live relatively nearby the park, then I'd recommend the latter. For my purposes however, this option was ideal. A good book at a good price that helped me explore a great location on a time budget.

Great book. It also breaks down the trails by "Best for Photographers", "Best Hike for Children", etc. I used it exclusively for my trip to the Rocky Mountain National Park.

This was very useful on our wonderful week at RMNP. Highly recommend!

definitely worth buying. Was a great guide for a first visit to RMP.

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