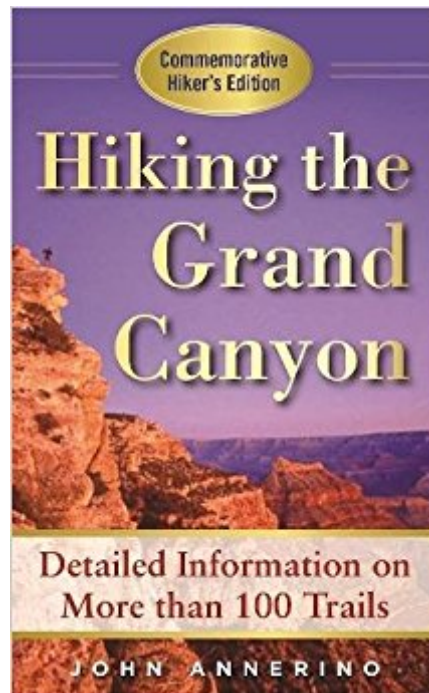




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Hiking The Grand Canyon: A Detailed Guide To More Than 100 Trails



Synopsis

Perfect for first-time visitors, day hikers, and seasoned canyoneers alike, expert hiker John Annerino's *Hiking the Grand Canyon* is one of the most user-friendly and comprehensive guides to America's premier natural wonder and UNESCO World Heritage Site.* Fold-out map of Grand Canyon Trails* Color photographs and historical black and white photos* Vignettes of the Canyon's Native Peoples, explorers, and trail blazers* Environment, geology, life zones, natural history, and sacred landmarks* Preparation, training, clothing, gear, food, maps, hazards, and precautions* Camping, lodging, guided trips, permits, and resourcesFeaturing detailed, authoritative descriptions of more than one hundred of the Canyon's best trails, from easier day hikes perfect for beginners to more rigorous, rim-to-river and cross-canyon treks.

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Washington Post "Getting Around the Grand Canyon. Best Resources: Hiking the Grand Canyon by John Annerino."--U.S. News & World Report "Annerino's Hiking the Grand Canyon is the AAA Triptik, a canyoneering primer full of useful tidbits . . . He urges canyoneers to start with the easy stuff -- maintained rim-to-river trails. Then venture onto non-maintained trails, which rock strata are virtual superhighways, which are roadblocks."--Outside Magazine "An excellent reference for this [Lava Falls] trail and many other Canyon trails is Hiking the Grand Canyon by John Annerino."--The Arizona Republic; The Grand Canyon Explored: 'Wherever you go in the Grand Canyon, you're likely to be treading in the footsteps of John Annerino. There's no one better to tap for insights on Grand Canyon lore, history and geography. . . Here, canyon master John Annerino unveils the greatest tales of Grand Canyon history.' " -National Geographic Adventure

And more.

This very small but very fat book has a lot of interesting very old photos. This makes it worth the modest price. A very helpful unique feature is that it lists the contaminant levels of various water sources, which is particularly important in the case of the high uranium levels in some. However it is inadequate as a trail guide. There are no maps of the individual trails, no elevation profiles of the trails, no index, the fold-out map of the entire Grand Canyon is not adequate for navigation, and at least one popular trail is missing. I found the lack of an index frustrating as I was trying to find the Monument Trail, which we had recently hiked. So far as I can tell, this popular trail below the South Rim, which connects between the Tonto Trail and the Granite Campsite on the Colorado River, was not included among the advertised "more than 100 trails." The Monument Trail also does not appear on the USGS quads, nor on any of the digital maps that derive from them. We made this discovery when we were looking for the Monument/Tonto trail intersection and tried to use our Garmin GPS with a newly purchased, newly updated digital topo map of the Southwest. Sources that we have found useful, all of which do include the Monument Trail, are limited to the following three (plus scattered bits of information on the GCNP website): Ron Adkinson, Falcon Guide, updated (current) edition with color maps: Hiking Grand Canyon National Park: A Guide to the Best Hiking Adventures on the North and South Rims Abbot & Cook, geology oriented with tons of useful descriptions of a number of different trails, including a photo of the rock formation that gave its name to the Monument Trail, Monument Creek, and Monument Campsite. Hiking Grand Canyon's Geology (Hiking Geology) The Earthwalk Press map, which is the only source that I've found that shows the

map coordinates and is in a large enough scale to be useful for navigation:Grand Canyon National Park Map & Guide

I have never been to the Grand Canyon but John Annerino's Hiking the Grand Canyon detailed guide has the ability to transport me there. As in his previous books, Annerino has infused the text with his passion of the land coupled with his personal experiences. He has not only hiked and run these trails, he has researched their histories and meanings to Native People, and captured their conditions in our time. Using historic photographs as well as his own, he has captured this world in a small sized weighty book that I can imagine being permanently in hand when one is among the canyons or preparing a trip. The detail and intricacy of the included fold-out map, illustrates this complex, sacred and mighty natural wonder. This book is clearly a labor of love and a gift for all who seek to visit and to learn about the Grand Canyon country.

What an excellent resource. This book couples first hand assessments of little known routes along with accurate information about virtually all established hikes-below and above the rim. Making it a special read is new and important information about the trails and their history. For example, the passage on the Tanner Trail reflects new info which appears to be the subject of significant research and study. But the book is also fun, encouraging and shows an appreciation of this unique place on earth-appreciation that was developed over years of trail running, river running and quiet nights below the rim. This is a book crammed full of info from which trip planning with an historical overview can be well undertaken. Easy five stars.

Here is an informative in-depth guide to the trails of the Grand Canyon. This book isn't really designed for the casual day tripper, but it is an invaluable resource for the serious backpacker and hiking enthusiast. It's packed with detailed descriptions of trails and useful safety advice specific to the Canyon. However, what I like best is the wealth of historical information and fascinating antique photos accompanying the trail guides. This emphasis on knowing the past of the paths you tread makes for a far richer experience. The author clearly knows and loves his subject and that passion comes through on every page. A recommended read for anyone about to take off on the trails of the Grand Canyon. Disclaimer: I received a free copy of this book in exchange for my unbiased review. All thoughts expressed above are my own opinions and are not influenced in any way by the author or publishers of this book.

Some of the most magical and memorable days of my life were spent hiking and rafting the Grand Canyon. This gem of a book by John Annerino brings it all back, and would be of invaluable help to anyone who wants to really delve into all the Canyon has to offer, and to experience it in its full glory. With detailed information about over 100 trails, including many that are not well known, this guide really has it all. What sets this book apart, too, is its focus on the role Native Americans played in Canyon history, an important aspect that is too often omitted in any serious way from Canyon literature. Small enough to fit in a backpack, this guide will allow Canyon enthusiasts to keep all the information they need at their fingertips, and the foldout trail map included at the back is an added bonus. This is a must-have for anyone with a serious interest in exploring this amazing place.

I'd thought I'd hiked it, seen it, and read it all. Arizona icon John Annerino has brought me to places I could've only imagined. Significant new Powell scholarship is in this handy folio as well (fits nicely in the lower-side pocket of the pack). The waterproof map is worth the price of admission alone! John's photography is as clear as his prose. Even if NOT planning to traverse the Golly Gulch, add this to your bookshelf for the history, geology, and majesty of The Canyon!

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