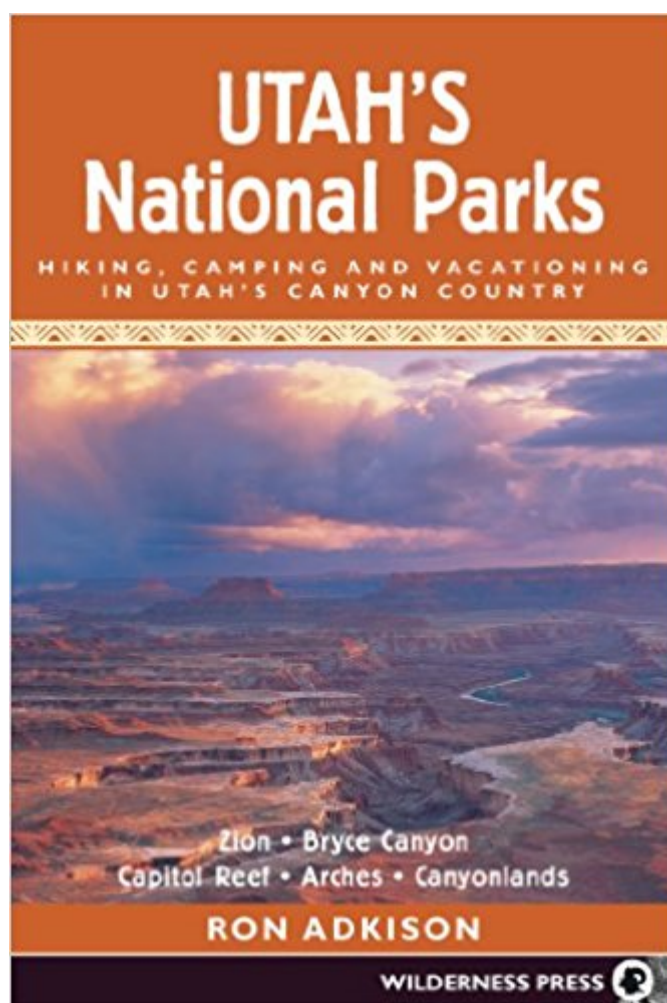


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# Utah's National Parks: Hiking Camping And Vacationing In Utah's Canyon Country (None)



## Synopsis

Discover soaring sandstone cliffs, ancient rock-art, sun-baked desert, and open woodlands of pinyon and juniper. Up-to-date trail and campground information are featured in this second edition and 124 different hikes are detailed. Includes descriptions of desert geology, plants and animals, and a topographic map for each hike.

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## Customer Reviews

If you are planning a tour of Utah's national parks, this guide should prove handy if not essential. It includes easy strolls and multiday backbreakers for Bryce, Capital Reef, Arches, Canyonlands, and Zion. In all, it describes 123 hikes in a user-friendly format. Easy-to-read info blips provide data for hike distances, elevations, difficulty ratings, hazards, and in-seasons. Each hike also includes an ample route description and a few tips thrown in for good measure. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Lots of excellent information....recommend getting this book ahead of time and reading portions that apply to your plans as this book is quite thick and includes a great deal of info.

I purchased this book thinking it was very up to date but found most of the text had been written years ago. With only B&W pics it seemed a little dull. The good part is if you want info on trails in the

parks this is very descriptive but they really missed the boat by not illustrating the trails and parks with some good maps. There are topos in the back of the book which are not much use for planning a drive hike type trip like I am going on. Bottom line is you cannot use this book alone to plan a good trip.

Informative book on the National parks in Utah. Great info. Came in handy before our trip when making plans for the trip. Would recommend reading if you plan to visit/hike in these parks!

Helpful book for planning hikes. Descriptions of the hikes were very good. Would have given a 5 if the maps were a little more user friendly.

We used this book during our Utah vacation.

This book is a fantastic resource. Colorful pictures and accurate maps are included. "Inside" information is given to allow a new park visitor to plan a trip without missing out on the little extras that make the trip so worthwhile. Event times and costs are included along with other travel information.

Just back from a 9 day backpacking trip in Utah, using both this book and Adkison's book on Escalante. It left me with poor trail descriptions, (scarily) poor or wholly incorrect maps, and an "interesting" (read: madman-style insane) style of giving directions to trailheads. I am by no means new to the outdoors, nor to getting to remote trailheads, route finding, etc; I can say with a degree of confidence that this is the poorest guidebook I have ever purchased. The second star is given for his "recommended" hikes, which were, on the whole, generally right on.

This was a decent guide book, but it really tried to cover too many parks at once. It seems like it covers more family type day hikes and not a lot of backcountry and backpacking trails. We used it to plan hikes in Zion National park and Canyonlands - Needles District. The book recommended a hike in Canyonlands National park that did turn out to be awesome (Chesler Park/Elephant Canyon to Druid Arch). We also used it to plan a hike to the Subway in Zion. In this case, I wish it had given more detail, as we ended up a little over our heads on this hike. The water was a LOT higher than we expected based on the pics we had seen and information we had. Apparently, the water levels tend to be higher in April due to snow runoff. If the book had given more information, we probably

would have never attempted the hike at that time of year to begin with. Oh well, I guess you live and learn, right? In conclusion, I would recommend this to anyone who is planning to visit one or more of the parks for a short period and wants to hit the highlights. If you want a more in depth hiking trip to one of the parks, I would recommend getting a more detailed guide book specific to that park.

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