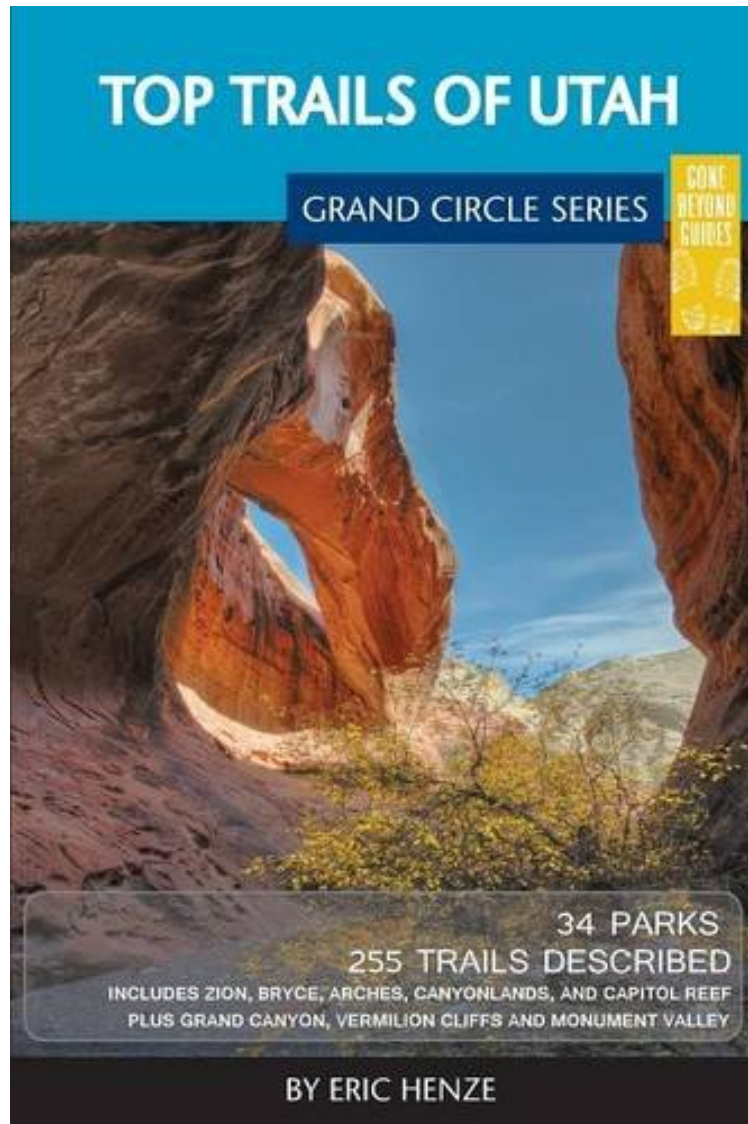


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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Southern Utah's (and vicinity) Top Trails By Fritz R. Ward Be careful here: the title aside, this is not just a list of the "top trails" in Utah. It is a list of the top recreational destinations in Utah and surrounding states. And it is remarkably well done. The author, Eric Henze, is captivated by the southwest, and in particular the Grand Circle" of national parks and monuments found in Utah, Nevada, Arizona, and Colorado. If you have the time for some extensive exploration in Utah, the heart of the Grand Circle, then this book is likely tailor made for you. He describes here almost every state park, national park, monument, and recreation area in the region. Beautiful pictures and park maps accompany the text. So, this is not a true hiking guide, but hiking does figure prominently in the text. Henze recognizes that not all his readers will want hard core challenging multi day hikes in the arid backcountry of these parks. So he includes trails tailored for every ability level. Dozens of half mile, handicap accessible trails are found within these pages. I personally appreciate that. My wife is permanently disabled but she likes to get out and explore as she is able, and most authors overlook short trails like these. But dedicated outdoor enthusiasts need not be put off by the short trails. Henze also includes strenuous hikes only the uber fit will enjoy. And just about everything in between. It's a great hiking guide (and camping guide, fishing guide, 4wd guide, museum guide, etc. it's all included here.) So, if this is such a great book, why not give it 5 stars? I want to. The author, by his own account, does these books as a labor of love and it shows on every page. But I have 3 minor concerns: the first is, I think the title does mislead a little. It does not cover all of Utah. I lived in Logan for a time and the northern part of the state is not described here. But Logan has some great outdoor recreation. It is definitely worth a visit. Second, it somehow misses my favorite Utah state park, even though it is within the boundaries of the book. Fremont Indian State Historic park features some of the finest rock art anywhere, and has numerous short to medium length trails to explore. I hope it appears in the next edition. Finally, this book is one part of a series. I purchased all of them. They are all good. But there is significant overlap within the series. 15 of the 34 parks found here are also found in the Arizona "top trails" book. So if you are going to Utah for a few weeks to explore, this is your book, but if you are planning an extended spring visit to the Grand Circle area and buy all the books, you will find a lot of information repeated. Still in all, I enjoy the series and highly recommend this title in particular.

Top Trails of Utah covers 34 parks and 255 trails within southern Utah and nearby parks in Colorado and Arizona. This guide covers every trail within every park in the area with full descriptions of each route, mileage, elevation gain, and trail difficulty. Amenities and directions are given for each park along with a description of what to see.

From the Inside Flap So you've been done an Arizona vacation, maybe even Colorado and Utah, but have you done the Grand Circle? You may have heard of the term and likely know it well if you live within it. For those that don't know what the Grand Circle means, you aren't alone. It is, in a nutshell, one of the "must do" vacation destinations in North America. The Grand Circle encompasses five southwestern states but more importantly, is so named because it contains the highest concentration of national and state parks in the United States. Within this 500-diameter area, there are almost 80 parks and hundreds of other attractions. Simply put, the Grand Circle is a bounty of fun and adventure. This isn't about going to Zion or the Grand Canyon, it's about going on a once in a lifetime vacation, something so incredible that it becomes one of the top things you have ever done. Top Trails of Utah is part of our four book "Grand Circle Series", providing complete coverage of every trail in all parks within the Grand Circle! Top Trails of Utah covers 34 parks and a healthy 255 hikes within an area of the Grand Circle. The book covers every park in the southern regions of Utah and neighboring parks within Colorado and Arizona. Each park contains information on camping, lodging, and food within the park as well as how to get there and nearest town. The book covers every trail in the park and details what makes the parks unique and worth a visit. From the amazing red rock walls of Zion NP to the spires of Cathedral Valley in Capitol Reef, to more unknown parks such as Snow Canyon, this book is the only book you will need to hike this spectacular area. Here are all of the parks covered: Southwest Utah Zion National Park Quail Creek State Park Sand Hollow State Park Coral Pink Sand Dunes State Park Snow Canyon State Park Gunlock State Park Frontier Homestead State Park Museum Cedar Breaks National Monument South Central Utah Bryce Canyon National Park Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Escalante Petrified Forest State Park Kodachrome Basin State Park Anasazi State Park Museum Capitol Reef National Park Glen Canyon National Recreation Area Rainbow Bridge National Monument Southeast Utah Goblin Valley State Park Canyonlands National Park - Island in the Sky District Canyonlands National Park - Needles District Canyonlands National Park - Maze District Dead Horse Point State Park Arches National Park Goosenecks State Park Edge of the Cedars State Park Natural Bridges National Monument Hovenweep National Monument Four Corners Monument South West Colorado Mesa Verde National Park Canyons of the Ancients National Monument Yucca House National Monument Northern Arizona Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park Navajo National Monument Antelope Canyon Vermilion Cliffs National Monument Grand Canyon National Park - South Rim Grand Canyon National Park - North Rim Havasu Falls