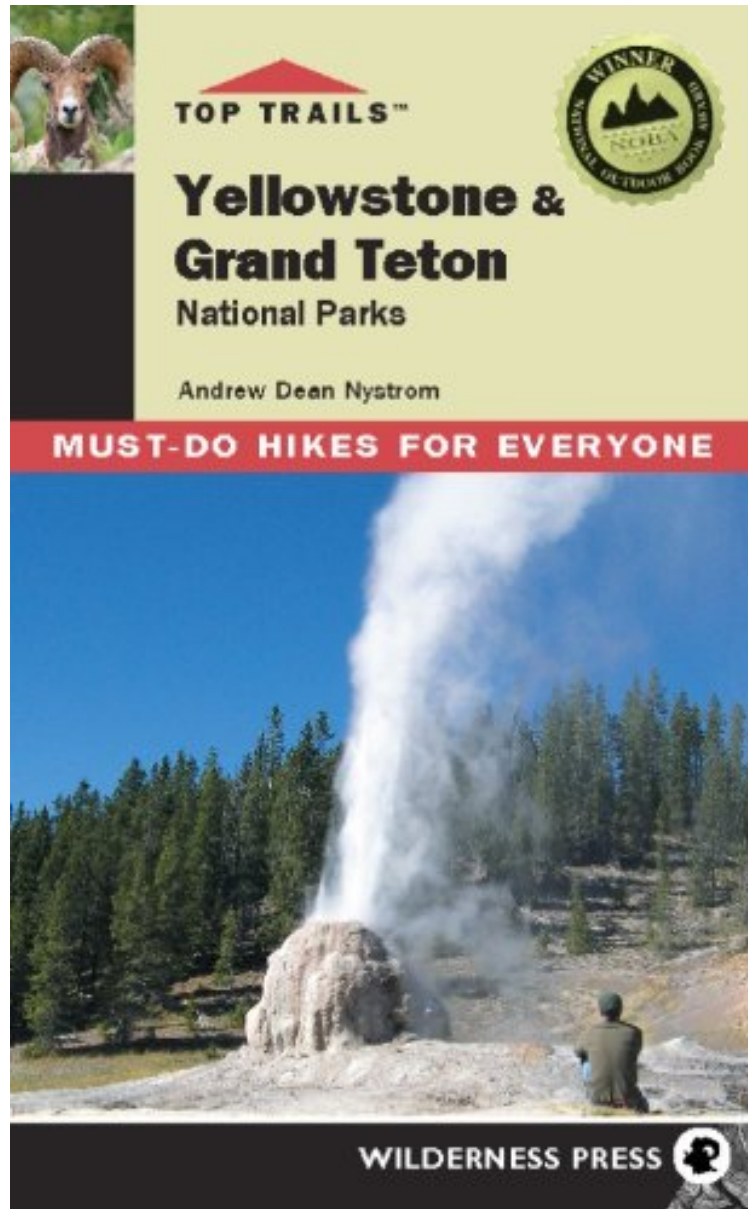


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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. A Worthy Hiking Guide for our First National Park By David Prager Few hiking destinations have the delight and allure of Yellowstone National Park and its nearby cousin Grand Teton National Park. This guide will lead hikers to some of the best trails these parks have to offer. This guide describes 46 hikes, 34 in Yellowstone and 12 in Grand Teton. All major hiking areas are covered including Old Faithful, Yellowstone River canyon, Jenny Lake, and Bechler Meadows. Difficulty ranges from a 1.2 mile jaunt past the Artists Paint Pots to a 29.7 mile multi-day backpack journey along the Bechler River. 10 of the 46 hikes are more than 10 miles long, so this guide tends to favor long, remote backcountry trails over shorter frontcountry ones. However, the trail selection has enough variety to give several options for hikers of all interests and abilities. Each hike contains clear driving directions to the trailhead (including warnings about rough roads), a best-season-to-hike recommendation, a solid but not-too-detailed trail description, and a rather general trail map. The guides maps are not as good as USGS topo maps: they have no contour lines, and they do not show a lot of detail. On the bright side, the guide does give some trail elevation profiles, which are better than no elevation information but not as good as contour lines. In summary, while there are a few areas for improvement, I find no major faults with this guide. If you are planning to spend a few days or weeks in Yellowstone/Grand Teton, this book is a worthwhile investment.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Good Information, easy to understand By C2I thought this book was excellent for covering the most popular hikes in Yellowstone and Grand Teton. I like that it has so many pictures, and a legend with all sorts of information to help you decide what you want to do. It lists the features of the trails, and includes so much useful information that this would be great book to have for anyone from the novice to the experienced hiker alike. I was not disappointed in this book at all, and I am up in Yellowstone and Grand Teton frequently. There are maps and pictures galore. Although the pictures are in black and white, you can still get a very good idea of the lay of the land and what there is there. I highly recommend this book.

9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Fantastic, easy to get away from the crowds with this info By Two kids mom We took a one week trip to Yellowstone at the end of July. This book was invaluable. The hikes are ranked from 1 (easiest) to 5 (hardest) making it simple for us to figure out what the four kids could handle. By taking trails rated over "2" we saw almost nobody else on the trails for most hikes. It seems that a vast majority of visitors to Yellowstone do not actually want to hike and having this book made it easy for us to have an uncrowded, pleasant experience. Very detailed, easy to find trail heads from the descriptions. Highly recommend this book, it made our experience fantastic. We also bought "Yellowstone Treasures: The Traveler's Companion to the National Park" which offers more info on the actual park. Together these books covered everything we needed to know.

With trips from Mammoth Hot Springs to Old Faithful, from the Absarokas to the Gallatin Range, and from Jackson Hole to the Teton Crest Trail, *Top Trails Yellowstone Grand Teton National Parks* has all visitors need to enjoy the ultimate in natural and geothermal wonders--tranquil backcountry lakes, panoramic summits, glacier-carved canyons, steaming geyser basins, vast meadows teeming with wildlife, and much more. Award-winning author Andrew Dean Nystrom has selected the 45 best trips in the area, ranging in length from a half-mile stroll by some of the park's most colorful hot springs to a 30-mile trek past intriguing thermal features and wildlife galore. The second edition features expanded coverage of the new Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve addition to Grand Teton National Park, family and kid-friendly hikes, legally soakable hot springs (with ratings) in both parks, moonlight hiking, and how to secure hard-to-get in-park lodging and campsite reservations. Winner of a National Outdoor Book Award for best adventure guidebook in 2005, and a best-selling Wilderness Press title. At-a-glance information shows which trips have the best hiking, mountain biking, trail running, horseback riding, and more.