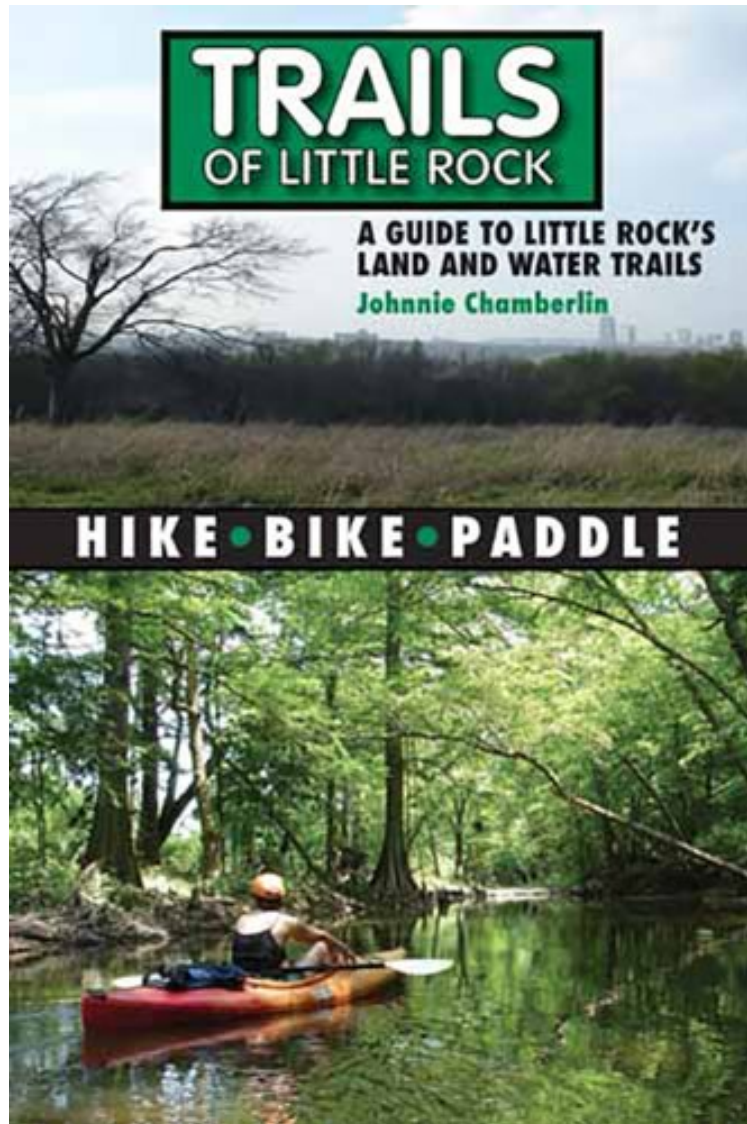


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that focuses solely on trails in the Greater Little Rock area. Great for locating trails that you as a Little Rock resident or visitor never knew existed. However, the first copy that I purchased contained many mistakes. It contained no page numbers 1 thru 16. Following page numbers 17 thru 32 there was a second set or duplicates of page numbers 17 thru 32. After page number 64 - page numbers 49 thru 64 were repeated or duplicated. There were no pages 65 thru 80. No problem though. As a little Rock resident I merely contacted the publisher Parkhurst Brothers Publishers, Inc ([...]) who is also in Little Rock and they were very quick to let me come by their office and exchange my defective copy for a perfect copy. If you have a defective copy chances are you live in Little Rock and you should be able to easily exchange your defective copy also.

7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Much needed trail guide for the city of Little Rock By Dismal hiker Johnnie Chamberlin is to be congratulated for producing this small but very interesting guide to the trails of Little Rock, Arkansas. It is relatively thorough (but not exhaustive) for trails within the city limits. Descriptions are written in a conversational, light style and are enjoyable to read. Descriptions of trails include amusing details, like the description of the aggressive dog near Kanis Rd as well as honest comments about trash on some of the water trails. For someone who lives in the Little Rock area and is looking to find new hiking trails, its quite useful. The author is honest about the book NOT being exhaustive. There are numerous trails within metropolitan Little Rock Area that are not included, like Bel Slough, Burns Park trails (just across the Arkansas river from Little Rock), Lorance Creek Natural Area (just 10 miles south of LR) and the nearby parts of the Ouachita Trail, which are all easily accessible to residents of Little Rock. Trail descriptions are essentially general descriptions of where the trails are located and how to find them. This is not a "trail guide" in the sense of detailed descriptions of what you will see as you progress. The maps are adequate for showing the general location of the trails and GPS coordinates included. The included photos are helpful. More and better quality photos would be good for the 2nd edition. Some of the areas included in the book, for hiking, don't have official trails and the author admits (one of the amusing parts of the book) that he isn't sure that all of the trails are on public property. Kudos for being up front and honest about it. Another option would have been to check it out before publishing the book. Maybe the 2nd edition will correct this. A major plus of the book is that water trails/routes are included. The Little Maumelle River, for example, is spectacularly beautiful and largely unknown to the residents of the city. Finally, some of these trails are in heavily populated metropolitan areas. As in all cities, some areas are safer than others. Mr Chamberlin makes no mention of safety. Are these really safe places to hike? Overall... this book is a good resource for a local hiker in Little Rock, AR. It could be much improved by making the descriptions more detailed, more and better photos, having more complete information about ownership of some of the recommended hiking areas and by expanding the scope to include trails in the Little Rock metropolitan area (and nearby), not just trails within the city limits. Although I think this book has room for improvement, I gave it 4 stars because its a great start and its the only one out there focused on Little Rock trails.

Residents and visitors have an urban-outdoor haven in Little Rock: actually more than two dozen of them. They are the hiking trails, biking trails as well as the canoe and kayak-read waterways within the city and immediate area. Whether your passion is a quiet walk in the woods, a mountain-climb, fishing, bird-watching, or a quiet float, this handbook will help you find and use the trails and waterways of Little Rock.

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