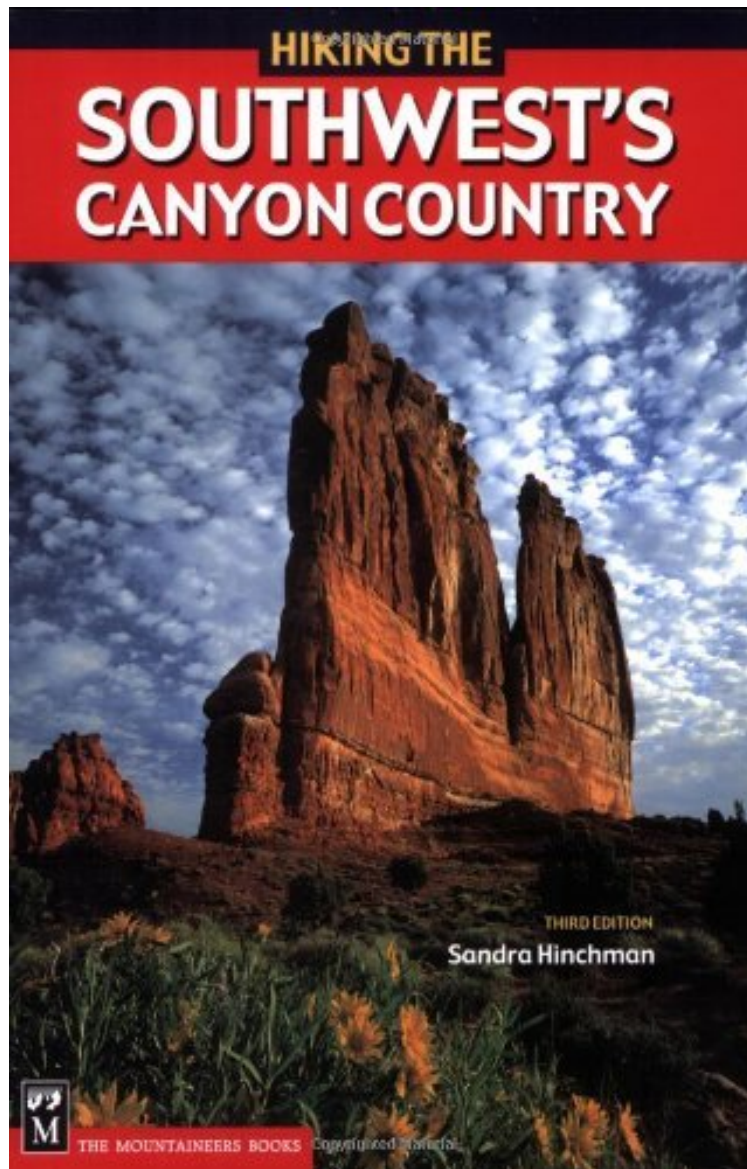


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. An ok intro...Von Kindle CustomerThis book outlines several extended trips through the desert southwest. Many of them are about a week or longer, and if you follow them you will surely see some wonderful sights. This is great if you are a

fully outfitted backpacker, and own a 4wd vehicle. The pictures are a mixture of color and b and w, and they help to frame the descriptions well. There are some serious drawbacks, though. For each hike an evaluation of the difficulty of the hike is given. This is, as far as I can tell, a blind guess--it shouldn't be trusted. Moreover, the book describes doing things which are entirely illegal. In Arches National Park it describes doing all of this backcountry camping and this is strictly prohibited because people were destroying the desert by hiking off trails. Moreover, the maps included are more confusing than useful. You'll have to buy the appropriate topo maps, and trying to compare them to the amateur-looking maps in the book is difficult. This book WILL give you at least an idea of where you should go and what you can expect when you get there. It DOES have some stupid ideas--like hiking up a bunch of washes, which I think is often boring, difficult, and dangerous (for obvious reasons). I did get some good ideas from it, though..so it's not all bad.

Kurzbeschreibung More than 100 hikes, with over 35 new to this edition Expanded to include Dinosaur National Monument, Salinas National Monument, Snow Canyon State Park, and northern San Rafael Swell Includes trips in recently designated national monuments and wilderness areas-Grand Staircase-Escalante, Canyons of the Ancients, Black Ridge Canyons, and more Hiking the Southwest Canyon Country will take you from the Colorado Plateau to the Grand Canyon to the banks of the Rio Grande. Perfect for hikers off all levels, this updated guide features trips that highlight the dramatic scenery of the Four Corners Region, from waterfalls and natural bridges to slot canyons. Each itinerary offers options such as day hikes, backpacking trips, scenic drives, raft trips, and visits to archaeological sites. This new edition also includes a "Best Places Adventure Chart" that compares features of hikes such as rock art, arches, and serene rivers..de With its first-rate information on how to make your trip to the American Southwest's Canyon Country a safe and pleasant one, this is an excellent guidebook. But if you're interested in learning more about the geology, archeology, native cultures, and natural splendors of red rock territory along the way, it's downright indispensable. In this new edition, six completely revised two- and three-week trip itineraries give information on some of the high desert's most enjoyable trails and breathtaking scenic attractions in Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arizona. For each trip cluster, Hinchman provides handy, easy-to-read maps and enticing photographs, along with natural and human history of the area, basic geologic and archeological history, and an overview of the area's climate and plant and animal life. Hikers will come to understand and appreciate, for instance, the Anasazi dwellings at Mesa Verde as well as the natural forces that converged to create the Grand Canyon. Whether planning to stake out whimsical hoodoos in Goblin Valley, explore Chaco Canyon, or feast your eyes on any number of cliffs, arches, and petroglyphs, this is one guidebook you'll be glad you packed. Kurzbeschreibung More than 100 hikes, with over 35 new to this edition Expanded to include Dinosaur National Monument, Salinas National Monument, Snow Canyon State Park, and northern San Rafael Swell Includes trips in recently designated national monuments and wilderness areas-Grand Staircase-Escalante, Canyons of the Ancients, Black Ridge Canyons, and more Hiking the Southwest Canyon Country will take you from the Colorado Plateau to the Grand Canyon to the banks of the Rio Grande. Perfect for hikers off all levels, this updated guide features trips that highlight the dramatic scenery of the Four Corners Region, from waterfalls and natural bridges to slot canyons. Each itinerary offers options such as day hikes, backpacking trips, scenic drives, raft trips, and visits to archaeological sites. This new edition also includes a "Best Places Adventure Chart" that compares features of hikes such as rock art, arches, and serene rivers.