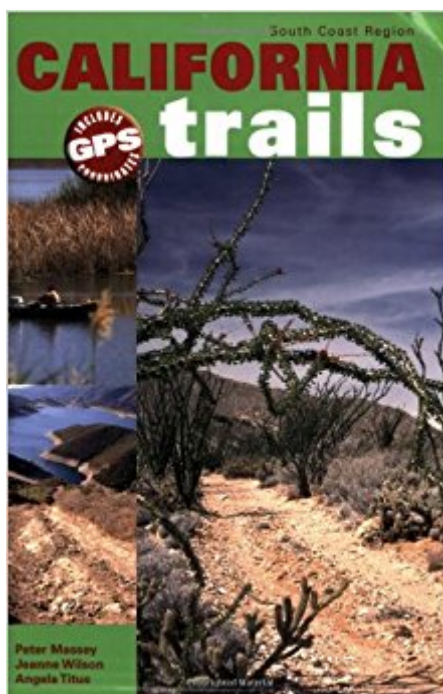


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Synopsis

This handy 6 1/4 x 9 1/4 guidebook is a new, full color volume that navigates 893 miles of backcountry trails in southwestern California, near of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, San Diego, Salton Sea, Indio, Borrego Springs, Ocotillo and Palo Verde. See ghost towns, old mines and mill workings, old railroads and stage lines along the 50 off-road trails. Directions include GPS coordinates and all trails are rated for difficulty, mileage, driving time, remoteness and more. Descriptions highlight places to camp, hike, mountain bike, fish, and sightsee. Histories recount the days of the Wild West.

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Customer Reviews

I own several guides to 4x4 roads in California from various publishers and I find each of them useful in their own way, but the California Trails series is probably my all around favorite due to their balance of detail, presentation and ease of use/navigation. By breaking the state up into several distinct regions, the authors are able to present a larger number of trails for each area than found in broader guides - approximately 50 in each volume. The South Coast Region covers a diverse range of coastal, mountain, high and low desert terrain in Southern California, giving you a wide range of environments to choose your next adventure. As with other entries in the Trails series, the layout is in full color and pretty easy to navigate, beginning with an explanation of the difficulty ratings (using a fairly nuanced 10 point system), remoteness ratings (something I haven't encountered in other guides), basic backcountry/4x4 knowledge for the beginner, discussion of the trail rating system,

packing checklists and a map of each trail's general location in relation to one another. Then come the trails. Most trails are rated 5 or below, with a few up to 7 in difficulty, as anything higher is beyond the scope of any but the most experienced driver with a heavily modified vehicle. Each trail has a generous number of pages devoted to it, with info on the trail's stats and special attractions, its history (if any), and a general description of the drive which includes what kind of conditions/obstacles to expect (of course, always check local road conditions at the time you travel), viewpoints, campsites, access to other recreation opportunities and more. Road condition contact information and map references are provided before detailed route directions.

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