

California Roadtrip 395



Synopsis

When other publishers are subdividing the Sierra Nevada into overly detailed miniature guides to increase the number of books for sale, California Roadtrip 395 brings everything into one source. California Roadtrip 395 explores the east side of the Sierra Nevada, covering activities along Highway 395 starting at the Mojave Desert and ending at the Oregon Border. Activities described include mountain biking, rock climbing, peak bagging, day hiking, fishing, geology, historic mining camps, hot springs, and camping. This guide serves as a first pass introduction to the region with special focus in Owens Valley, Mammoth Lakes, Mono Lake area, Reno, Lake Tahoe, and Mount Lassen. Most activities can be done in a single day, are accessible from Highway 395, and are accompanied by maps and photographs. These trips represent some of the most classic or high quality rides, hikes, climbs, and camping available.

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Customer Reviews

The late James E. Wise, Jr., a retired Navy captain in Alexandria, Virginia (d. 2013), wrote many books on history and the performing arts. He served as an intelligence officer aboard USS America during the 1967 Six Day War in the eastern Mediterranean and later in the Gulf of Tonkin during the Vietnam War.

This book really opens up the possibilities for adventure. I've driven the 395 straight to Mammoth a million times without stopping and realizing all the treasures that lay along this freeway. Truly an amazing guidebook. The only items I would add, would be winter activities. No mention of places to

snowshoe, backcountry ski etc.

This is a great book! It covers just about everything one (hikers, rock climbers bikers, backpackers, geologists, campers, historians, etc) would want to know and more. Great job!

Great.

Such an extensive area, so little time and so fewer pages. Although this book claims to be the "beta" version of Highway 395, this also may be its downfall. Granted, the author does what he set to do, but the problem is covering such a vast region in a fresh way. Dozens of books have been written about the Eastern Sierra. Perhaps this is the problem. Although this might be minor, I had some trouble ignoring some of the author's grammar issues, but otherwise an okay book. Maybe I am being too hard on this piece, but as a "veteran" of the Eastern Sierra, this one was kind of a snooze. One can only read about the same areas over and over for so long.

This book does what it claims to do... provide high level travel/activity details over an extensive area. It provides the "beta" for a wide range of activities, from fishing and hiking to rock climbing and biking and more, and fills in details relating to history, geology, etc and a lot of camping and eating recommendations that you cannot find in other resources. If you are looking for a single guide for young-at-heart road tripping eastern California, this is it! It beats buying and carrying several books for the same road trip, hopefully there will be more volumes for different road trips (ie, Hwy 50 through Nevada comes to mind).

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