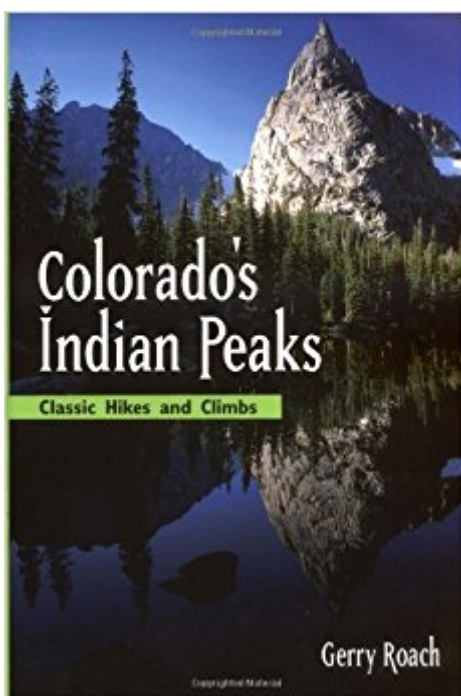


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Synopsis

In this concise and fully updated guidebook, Gerry Roach shares his firsthand knowledge and experience, offering us a chance to explore some of Colorado's finest mountain trails.

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Customer Reviews

Gerry Roach started climbing in Colorado in 1955. Among his numerous accomplishments, Gerry is the second person ever to climb the highest peak on each of the seven continents. In more than 50 years of mountaineering, he has climbed in dozens of states and countries.

Gerry Roach's guidebooks are wonderful, and the fruit of his many, many years climbing just about every peak and hiking just about every trail in Colorado. It's a shame this is not available in print form, since the kindle version is not always easy to find your way around, but I would not want to plan hikes and climbs in this wonderful area without access to this book.

The "2nd edition" (2010) from Read How You Want Press is identical to the 1998 edition, except they've increased the font size to 16 points (HUGE), made the book bigger (8" x 10") and heavier, and doubled the price. Save your money and get the older edition, which you can carry with you on a hike.

This is the must-have book for anyone going to the Indian Peaks. Roach is an expert beyond compare, and his book will help you prepare for your adventure!

Indispensible!

As you might expect with a Gerry Roach guide, this one is very good. For those that aren't familiar with Gerry's work, then wait no longer and buy the book. You'll see why...This one is on par with his excellent 14ers guidebook. I suppose if I had no nitpick (its why we write reviews I guess?) then I'd wish for color photos instead of b & w. Oh and yes my one complaint with Gerry's stuff is that there really isn't any off-season climbing info. However, since many, heck if not most, people do their climbing in the summer it won't be an issue. All in all an excellent guide that is especially strong in its route descriptions, approach details, and climbing information. Also Gerry's classic rating (basically his stamp of an outstanding climb) is included as with the 14ers guide. Don't go climbing in the Indian Peaks without this in your pack.

Everyone who has scoured the used bookstores looking for a copy of this Gerry Roach classic can now rest easy. With this new 1998 edition, it's back and better than ever. It includes topo maps with routes, detailed mileage and elevation gain for each route, and more pictures than the original. Indian Peaks Wilderness is one of my favorite areas in Colorado - it runs the gamut from very accessible, popular hiking trails with spectacular scenery to the pure wilderness experience. Gerry's enthusiasm and love for this area come through loud and clear in this definitive hiking and climbing guide to IPW.

I'm sure this book is useful for climbing approaches etc to the different summits in the Indian Peaks Wilderness. Don't buy it if you are looking for meaningful hiking or backpacking information. This is geared for climbers.

I can't believe climbing guide got republished the same month I moved out of the area. The CU Hiking club almost had to chain down their copy so it didn't get lifted. Great climbing beta. I never would have tried to climb Skywalker with so much snowpack had the guide been available at the time. That's it! I'm moving back. Osimiti Pine

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