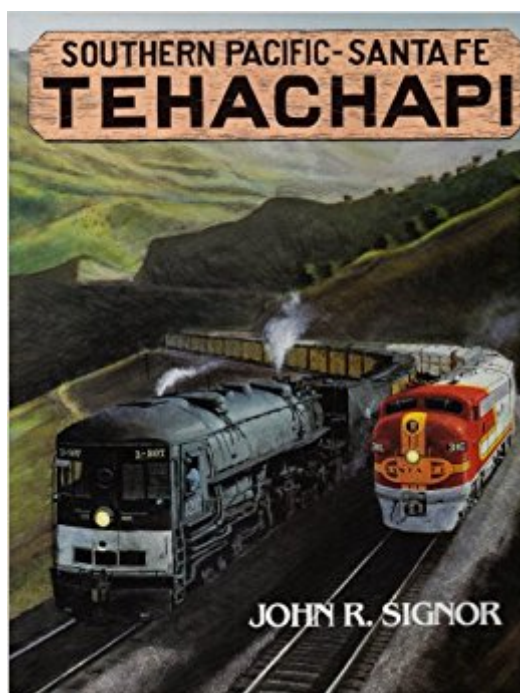


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Book by Signor, John R.

Another John Signor work of art. Probably the only drawback is the same with all books of this venue...some things not included due to space limitations. Unquestionably the highlight for me is John's signature hand-drawn cartography. Excellent photo selections and an in depth historical narrative (important to me...there are plenty of "coffee table" books out there). If you want to become proficient about this district, you need this book. As a BNSF trainman having worked out of Los Angeles (Hobart, Watson) and other Coast Lines locations (San Berdoo, Needles, Bakersfield and now Fresno/Richmond), I actually used this book on several occasions helping me familiarize on the territory after I marked up at Bakersfield.

As with all John Signor's many books, he "puts you there" in the places he writes about. The photography is well chosen and is a balanced part of the whole picture. It's not just the locomotives and rolling stock, Mr. Signor has a superb sense of place and time. The balance of all the factors needed to understand a specific place served by a railroad is a hallmark of this author's work. Each factor: his skilled writing, the choice of photography, the color art, the use of detailed maps and long-distance views put together an experience of place and time for the reader. Not incidentally, the

volume itself is high quality and put together in a very sturdy way to survive decades into the future. This is a book to come back to and to pass on to someone who appreciates trains, railroads and the unique view inside Mr. Signor's books. John Signor steps into the hallowed league of the great railroad writers of bygone eras. Dr. Bill Hawkins

This is another great book by John Signor. Quality research and writing, along with beautiful photography highlight the history of Tehachapi as it relates to the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe Railroads. Very enjoyable reading.

Good story about the Railroad, but lacked a personal touch about personal issues...I would have liked to hear about those who did the railroad building and how they handled the manpower and politics regarding the project...

A loop to remember

Great book on a great piece of Railroad Real estate. Always find books by John Signor to be as complete as possible and well worth the money. Needs to be in every SP and ATSF library.

Signor has written the most in depth look at railroading in the Tehachapis I've seen, lots of great photos and info, would recommend this HIGHLY

First of all my brother loved the book . He is a Southern Pacific rail fan. Having grown up in the area of Southern California we have been all of those hills and tracks. Thanks Very much Bill and Paul Hines

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