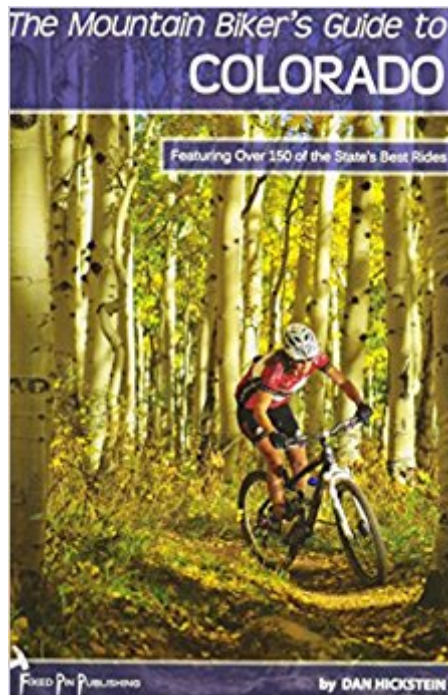




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Thousands of miles of world-class trails and jaw-dropping scenery make Colorado a mountain biking paradise. With coverage of all the best rides in the state - from crazy descents of jagged peaks to quick afternoon rides for the whole family - The Mountain Biker's Guide to Colorado makes it easy to plan your next trip. Full-color photos, detailed maps, elevation profiles, and turn-by-turn directions mean less time lost in the woods and more time riding. Consistent technical and physical difficulty ratings let you choose the perfect ride, from a gentle Sunday cruise to an all-day epic. For before and after the ride, the book also includes tips on local camping, hotels, and restaurants.

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This is a review of the guidebook, The Mountain Biker's Guide to Colorado by Dan Hickstein. Dan offered to let me have a copy of the book to review. For the record, I had not met Dan prior to receiving the book. I'm a bit of a guidebook junkie, have lived in some amazing mountain bike states (UT, WA, CO) - and have many biking, hiking and ski books from these areas and more. I consider the Falcon books the standard (for good or bad). One of my favorite CO books is the Arkansas Valley Mountain Biking book by Mark Wolff. You can see some sample pages of the book [URL=...]. This is a bit long winded - feel free to skip to the end for a summary. Organization: The book is organized by region, with an intro on how to use the book. Of particulate note are the best months to ride each area and a couple of pages by Open Snow blogger, Joel Gratz, on weather in Colorado. The appendix is one of the highlights of the book, allowing you to quickly look up trail info by trail/region. Take a look at page 5 of the sample pages. If in Crested Butte, you could easily

decide what trails to ride based on technical and physical difficulty, mileage and rating. I don't recall seeing this feature in any other guidebooks - and find it highly useful. Often times, camping in a new area with friends we'll try to figure out what to ride the next day - this will be a very useful feature. Overview: The book contains over 150 rides from many regions in Colorado. It doesn't contain every ride per region (nor should it), but does have a good amount. If traveling to a specific region, you may benefit from a region specific book to get all the trails. Overall, the author made good choices on which trails to showcase for each region. The quality of the book is top notch.

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