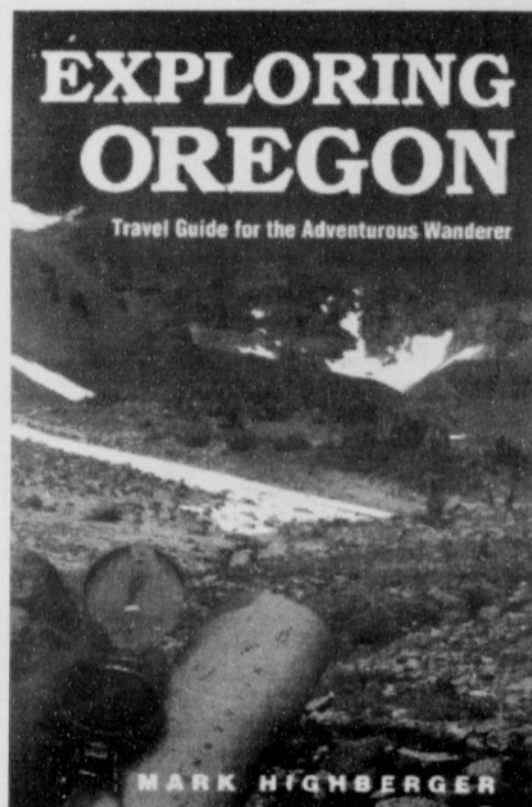


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Exploring Oregon; Travel Guide for the Adventurous Wanderer



By Mark Highberger
Maverick Publications; 2000

So you think you know Oregon. You've seen the high desert of the east, the Douglas fir forests of the Cascades, the billowing orchards of Hood River and the lush farmlands of the Willamette Valley. You've admired Haystack Rock at Cannon Beach, the aquarium at Newport, Crater Lake, the Columbia Gorge, Timberline Lodge and Mount Hood.

Unless you've been to the places Mark Highberger's been to, you don't know Oregon. Adventurous Wanderer, Highberger takes you to dozens of places where the tourists rarely go and some that even longtime residents of the state have barely heard of.

Places like the Finley Refuge, a

5,000-acre wildlife reserve just south of Corvallis...or the Oregon Vortex, a spot between Grants Pass and Medford where the normal laws of physics seem to have been repealed...or "Captain Jack's Stronghold," a lava desert on the Oregon-California border where a band of 50 Modoc Indians fought off the U.S. Army for two years in the 1870s...or Stein's Pilar, a dramatic rock spire soaring 350 feet above the Ochoco Mountains. Highberger, a native Oregonian, originally wrote about these places in a series of articles for The Bulletin, a daily newspaper in Bend. Although the places Highberger describes are "off the beaten track," most aren't very far off they generally can be reached by car, or with a short hike. They're the quiet, out-of-the-way spots on the side

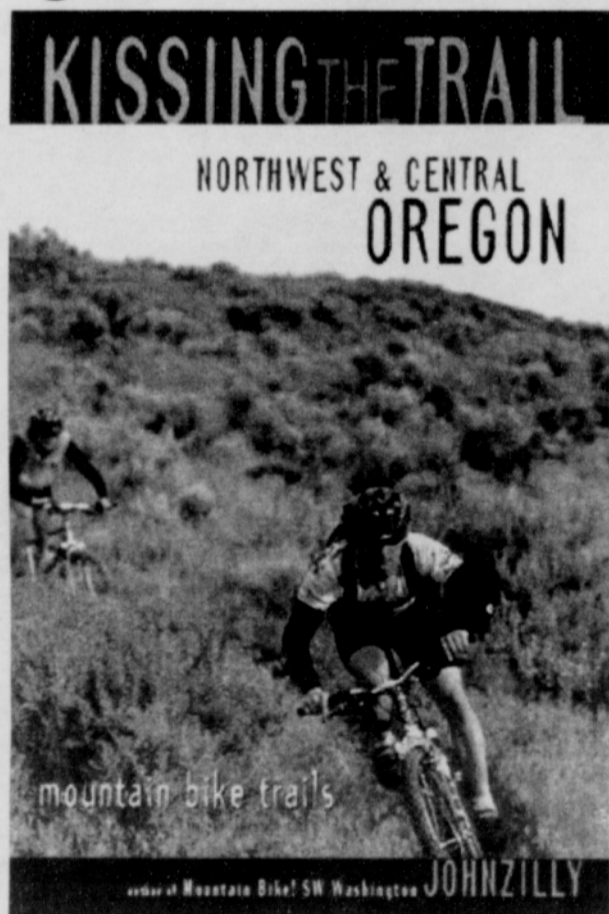
roads that get passed over by the crowds speeding along the main highway toward some heavily hyped "major attraction" or other.

Exploring Oregon is divided into five sections by geography; northwest, southwest, central, northeast and southeast. Altogether, it describes nearly 40 different destinations.

Each description includes a map showing how to get there and a capsule summary of essential information; most also include photographs.

For out-of-staters who are planning a visit to Oregon and want to see more than the usual "tourist stuff," *Exploring Oregon* will be an invaluable guide. And for Oregonians who want to get to really know their beautiful state, it will become a lifelong companion.

Kissing the Trail; Northwest & Central Oregon Mountain Bike Trails



By John Zilly
Sasquatch Books; 2000

After crisscrossing Oregon from Portland to Bend and Mount Hood to Eugene, John Zilly ladles out the

mountain-bike love in *Kissing the Trail: Northwest & Central Oregon*. Surveyors Ridge, the Tillamook, and McKenzie Blue Pool are here, but Zilly also carved turns on Phil's Trail, surfed Newberry Caldera's

pumice slopes, ripped around Waldo Lake, then blew out four inner tubes on the riotous descent from Moon Point - all in search of the perfect trail.

Considered the best singletrack in Northwest and Central Oregon, it offers:

- More than 75 trail descriptions, all within 3 hours of Portland
 - Detailed, GPS-ready maps for every ride, with elevation profiles and trail mileages
 - Trails for all ability levels - from rail-trails to zippy descents to rock jungle gyms
 - Rides rated by skill, distance, terrain, elevation, and overall difficulty
 - Best seasons to go, maps, camping options, and phone and web contacts for every ride
 - Routes covering more than 1,000 miles of mountain biking
- Author of eight mountain-bike guidebooks, including *Mountain Bike!* Southwest Washington (Sasquatch Books), John Zilly has researched, mapped, and written about more than 400 Northwest trails - and no one does it more accurately or more vividly. When not working in Seattle, he's likely playing on the trails somewhere between Mount St. Helens and Moab.

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