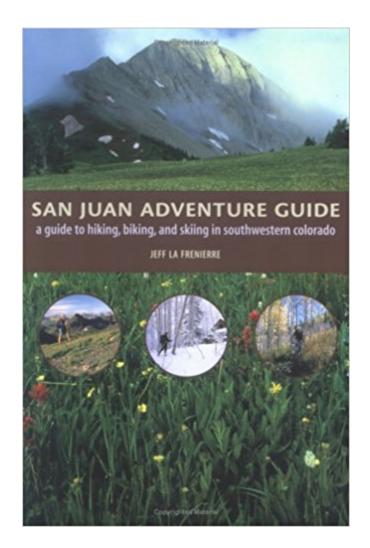
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San Juan Adventure Guide: Hiking, Biking, And Skiing In Southwestern Colorado





Synopsis

This guide will satisfy outdoor recreationists' thirst for adventure with descriptions of more than sixty scenic trails to hike, gnarly single tracks to bike, and winter wonderlands to ski. Covering the entire region of the San Juan Mountains in Colorado, these trails are accessible from anywhere in the southwestern United States. Jeff La Frenierre is a professional cartographer and award-winning photographer. He shares his knowledge and appreciation for the awe-inspiring beauty and terrain of the San Juan Mountains. Each trail description begins with a profile that provides distance, elevation range, and trail conditions, and suggests the necessary maps to help navigate a safe journey followed by in-depth directions. Also included is an Adventure Locator at the end of the book, which is divided into four sections with maps and tables. This is a quick and handy reference for planning activities from day-long skiing excursions to afternoon mountain bike rides, with suggestions for base camps in the towns nearest to each trailhead.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

The book gives you roughly 100 pages of hiking trail descriptions, 50 pages of bike trails and 50 pages on snowtrails. The text is a smooth and detailed narrative, not just a list of a few facts about each trail's location, distance, major route turns, and elevation change as in many trail guides. However- I expected more and better photos & maps based on the other evaluation of this book and the backcover proclaiming this to be a book from "a professional cartographer and award-winning photographer". There are about 20 black & white photos and a small insert of 10

color photos which are ok but not fully satisfying. The "maps" are minimal- small hand-drawn sketches of the region that only show bumps to represent "mountains" and major roads- but no trail lines, topographic details, or any real value.

I guess I expected a more complete review of the trails in the area, but it did not hit on even some of the more popular ones.

Jeff La Frenierre's San Juan Adventure Guide is a complete outdoor recreation guide to hiking, biking, and skiing in southwestern Colorado's San Juan Mountain range. Of special note is an "Adventure Locator" which is divided into four sections with maps and tables. This quick and handy reference for planning activities will admirable serve any excursion from a day trip to an extended weekend to a major vacation outing. Ideal for the armchair traveler and the on-site thrill-seeker, San Juan Adventure Guide is enhanced with b/w and color photography and a "must" for anyone heading out for the San Juan country.

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