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# The New Summit Hiker And Ski Touring Guide: 50 Historic Hiking And Ski Trails



## Synopsis

50 Historic Hiking Trails near Breckenridge, Frisco, Copper Mountain, Keystone-Dillon in the Ptarmigan Peak Wilderness and the Gore Range Wilderness, in Colorado. Popular Colorado author-historian Mary Ellen Gilliland introduces hikers and winter recreationists to mine camps, ghost towns, stagecoach tracks and narrow gauge railway routes, each resonating its own gold rush history. Scenic nature hikes, peak climbs, alpine lakes and waterfalls are destinations for the hikes. Added feature: special hikes for children.

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## Customer Reviews

Excellent book for hikers not really familiar with the Summit County area. I am from Ohio, and my family found the book most helpful in ranking the difficulty of hikes, estimating the time of our trips and how strenuous a hike we were looking at. Also the maps & directions were right on the money. Without this book we would have missed out on some fantastic hiking in the Breckenridge & Frisco areas!!

My husband and I have chosen several of the hikes included by Ms. Gilliland and, as neophyte hikers, have found them very enjoyable. Most importantly, we have come to depend on both the times given for the hikes as well as the difficulty ratings. I would not hesitate to take a hike from this book if it sounded attractive to me -- I'd know I could count on it being just as described

A good concept, but in my view the material in this book was outdated and the maps too basic for

use as a stand alone guide. Online resources provided more interesting and useful material and maps for our trip.

We tried hiking Wheeler Lakes, one of the hikes, in the book. The directions to get there is off by 2 miles!! The ratings of a couple hikes seemed off. For example, Mt. Royal to Masontown is short but steep. In the book it's easy-moderate. Maybe because it's short. But it's steep and definitely not "easy" for the little kiddos. I would hike this with the younger kids with reservation. And the hike to Mt. Royal is very steep and the rating is just "More difficult". The description of the hikes is not easy to read either. Overall, you're much better off looking up hikes and getting directions on-line.

The definitive guide for hiking in Summit county, from Blue River in the south past Silverthorne to the north, and copper to Dillon...must own, can also pick up anywhere in Summit

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