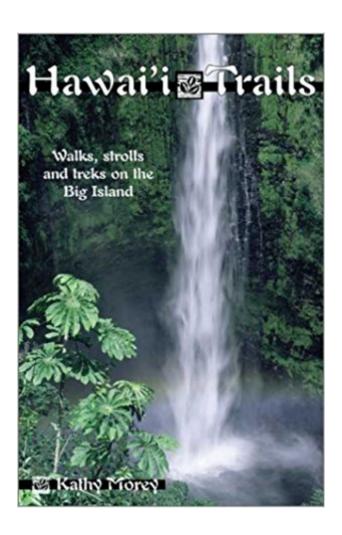


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Customer Reviews

Kathy Morey has authored or coauthored eight other Wilderness Press titles, including Hot Showers, Soft Beds, & Dayhikes in the Sierra, Sierra North

Wordy, wordy, few illustrations no photographs, maps are hand drawn and extremely simplistic. Author offers opinions and interjects in ways that cuts into the fantasy you hold of the place, saying things like "remember this is an Island people live here ". Compared to Lonely Planet guide books, which are lavish with personal interviews, stunning photos, maps, bright colors and quality paper and construction by a teem of writers graphic artists photographers and book designers this book was done by one person on a budget. A first for me-I ended up not using it. My 2 cents worth- buy something else.

Great trail descriptions, better to get in digital form and print out separate hikes instead of caring book..

It's got a few flaws, but this is the best hiking guide I could find for the Big Island. The author lays out 58 easy to tough hikes organized geographically. Each is clearly presented with consistent summary information and the text is generally well written. You can tell Morey has done most, if not all, of them. There is also a pleasant balance of information on everything from the Hawaiian language to local historic events. While she's opinionated at times, she lets you know that she's giving her opinion. As for improvements, the guide could use more detailed maps (many hikes have no map) and, I fear, will age too quickly given changes in roads, lava flows, and restrictions on 4WD vehicles. I'm not sure she can do much about the latter except keep putting out new editions.By the way, everyone, including Morey, says the Kilauea Iki hike (#28 in the book) is the best on the island, I don't know about that but it is a darn good hike. Combine it with Thurston Lava Tube (#29) and that is a couple hours you'll remember for a very long time.

I was skeptical about ordering the Kindle version of a hiking book, since reference books are not always very navigable/searchable in an electronic format. However, this one was linked internally quite well, and we used it to very good advantage while traveling to Hawaii without a laptop or smartphone, etc.

Some nice hikes. A bit out of date on island infrastructure (written before the saddle road was rebuilt).

This book is the best of its kind. Walks were accurately described including access, ease of walk, what kind of gear you would need.

Excellent resource. We went to Hawaii for our honeymoon and wanted to do some treks and visit spots that are not necessarily on the tourist map. The book opened up a whole aspect of Hawaii we would not have known about.

this was a gift for my son in law and daughter, who are avid hikers. We are all heading to the Big Island in June. It seems perfect, and they are excited.

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