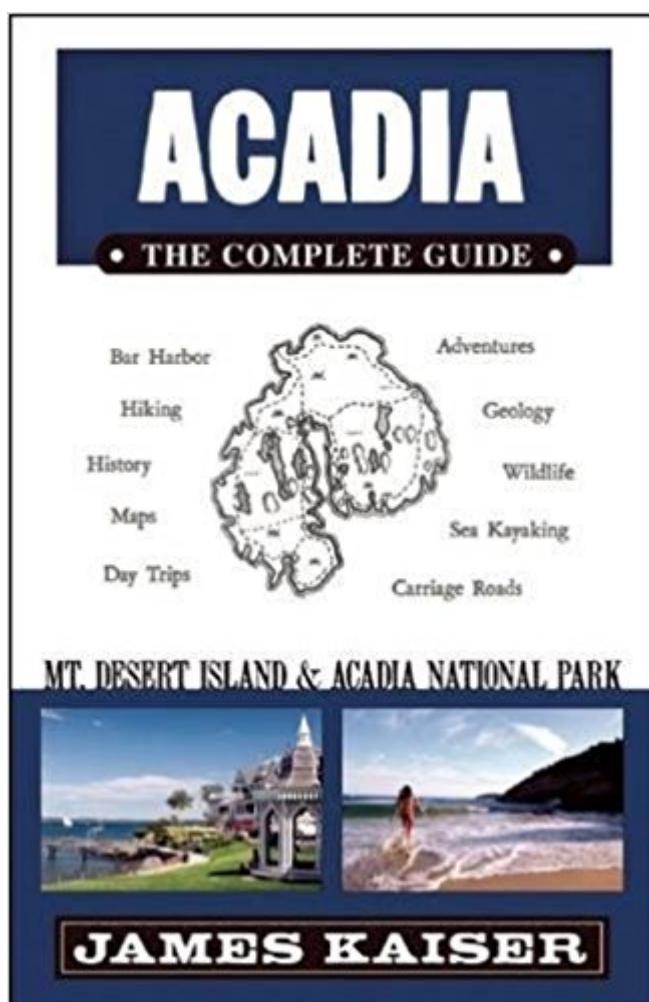


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Synopsis

This gorgeous, full-color guidebook reveals the highlights and hidden gems of Acadia National Park and Mount Desert Island. Whatever your interests—hiking to the top of Cadillac Mountain, dining on fresh lobster in Bar Harbor, sailing past historic Bass Harbor Lighthouse—Acadia: The Complete Guide puts the best of Acadia at your fingertips. Beautiful color photos showcase the park's best destinations. Fascinating chapters on Geology, History and Wildlife reveal the story behind the scenery. Detailed maps make travel planning easy. Written and photographed by Maine native James Kaiser, Acadia: The Complete Guide is the only guide you'll need. The bestselling guidebook to Acadia for over a decade! Over 100 Stunning Color Photos Over 20 Detailed Maps Five percent of profits donated to Friends of Acadia, the nonprofit partner of Acadia National Park

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"Hands down, these are the best travel guidebooks I've ever read." —Wandering Educators "Guidebook that aims to capture 'Spirit of Acadia' a travel essential" —Bangor Daily News

James Kaiser is an award-winning writer and photographer who was born and raised in Maine. He has written guidebooks to Costa Rica, Grand Canyon, Yosemite, Joshua Tree and Acadia National Park.

James Kaiser has done a great job with this book (I have the 4th edition). A Mount Desert Island native, he hits all the high points of a trip to Acadia National Park and the surrounding areas. I took this book on my recent trip and found it to be a useful daily guide. I enjoyed reading it; it has a nice conversational style. Specifically, I was interested in hiking, biking the Carriage Roads, and driving the National Park as the focus of my trip. The book has great information and maps for these activities, including several hikes off the beaten path. The maps were greatly helpful to me; I took a picture of them on my smartphone in the morning and I was good for the day. If you're biking the Carriage Roads, you'll definitely want a good map. The book is printed on glossy paper that nicely brings out the brilliant photography between the text. There are several sections on history and ecology which I found interesting. As you walk around Bar Harbor (an easily walkable town), the guide highlights several places to stay and eat. It also covers the areas around Mt. Desert Island for day trips to other islands and discusses best transportation methods. Overall, the book is well worth the investment; I found it to be a great planning tool for each day's activities. In summary, highly recommended.

Not what i expected. I wanted a down to earth place by place description of what is there. I find it too fancy, commercial. And maps are poor. Detail poor.

This book was very helpful and well organized. We consulted it each evening as we planned our next day. From hiking to kayaking, restaurants, boat tours, biking and the scenic park loop road, it provided everything we needed. I bought three different Acadia books and this one became our go to favorite.

Going to Acadia in August for 5 days. This book is a perfect guide. I find some travel guides to be overwhelming, too much info. This book shows all the "must see" places and that is what I needed. I like my vacation not too be work. This book did the work for me.

If I could give this book 10 stars I would. We carried this book with us to Acadia and used it multiple times a day. It helped us to explore this beautiful park. We even liked that the book guides you to little known areas of Acadia that you would normally drive by (Little Hunters Beach). If you are going to Acadia purchase this book. You will not be disappointed.

This is possibly the best guide book I've ever had. Maybe in part because there aren't an overwhelming amount of things to do in Acadia, and I don't mean that in any derogatory way. It's very nicely laid out-- great maps, clear suggestions, very well organized. Not too much information and not too little.

We spent 9 days in Acadia with this book and it did the trick. If you like a wide variety of activities: hiking, swimming, eating etc., then this book does a great job. If you go to Acadia solely for hiking, this does a great job highlighting some spectacular hikes but I would get an additional book on all the hiking trails.

We are about to travel to Bar Harbor, Maine. Ordered up some books but most only have a small section dedicated to Bar Harbor area. This book is more devoted to where we are going and is laid out well. Will check this author for future travel books.

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