

Canyoneering

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John Annerino : Canyoneering before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Canyoneering:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good information insideBy William MooreExactly what I wanted. Good information inside.2 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Very PoorBy Craig A. ShelleyThere are some great reviews of this book at . I love canyoneering. The book wasn't expensive through third parties (probably a sign of the poor quality). I decided to get it. It was a mistake. I don't understand why there are any good reviews of it.With regard to the "how to" part of canyoneering it is a complete waste of time - poor or little information. For example, the author likes to use iodine tablets for water purification and promotes them over a purifier. However, Chlorine Dioxide (e.g., Aquamira) is more effective, leaves no taste, and is also lightweight - it isn't mentioned as a far superior alternative. Polyester isn't mentioned for clothing but polypropylene is. The book was published in 1999. These are just two of numerous such examples. Maybe the author hiked these canyons when he was a kid. This doesn't belong in a 1999 book.With regard to the history, geology, etc. It is just all over the place with serial lists of factoids arrange without organization. As an example, the page on the geology of Buckskin Gulch and Paria Canyon has four paragraphs. The first doesn't mention either canyon. The second mentions Paria along with various other canyons as having a "dark side" in the second to last sentence (nothing to do with geology, just that they are prone to flash flooding). The third short paragraph is about slot canyons generally and doesn't mention either canyon. The fourth finally has something on Paria and Buckskin geology - the geological formations found in the area - so impressive.I

could go on, but this book isn't worth more effort. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Mutual respect for the Southwest canyons By T. Gendron As a two year resident of Arizona, I have embraced the wonder of the Grand Canyon and its tributaries. This book ties together its legend, geology, hydrology and the spiritual. It erodes the sandstone and runs with ancients. Mr. Annerino has obviously been there, lived it as few have and was profoundly influenced by. Way to go.

The canyons of North America are among the most spectacular in the world, providing unlimited opportunities for hikers, photographers, climbers, and other modern-day adventurers. In *Canyoneering*, John Annerino offers a thorough guide to the fundamentals of safe and well-prepared canyon exploration. The natural history and earth science of canyon country, as well as expedition conditioning, preparation, and equipment are discussed in detail, as are potential hazards and how to avoid them. Expert text from an accomplished canyon and desert explorer. The history and how-tos of canyon exploration; 50 b/w photos, 25 drawings. John Annerino is an author and photojournalist who has spent years exploring the canyons of the United States and Mexico.

"Taking the Slot Canyon Challenge. For the best information on canyoneering, read *Canyoneering: How to Explore the Canyons of the Great Southwest* by John Annerino." -- The New York Times "Canyoneering by John Annerino, cited in *The Emerald Mile: The Epic Story of the Fastest Ride in History Through the Heart of the Grand Canyon* by Kevin Fedarko." "John's "Adventuring in Arizona" has always been a favorite on our bookshelf, so we bought "Canyoneering" the same day we heard about it. Not a guidebook, but an excellent canyon primer on geology, geography and history." -- American Canyoneering Association "John Annerino's book is a how-to to the basics and history of canyon exploration. It's discussion of geology, climbing techniques and storied canyoneers will also appeal to serious-minded enthusiasts." -- The Seattle Times "I'm reading *Canyoneering*. The Introduction and first chapter are terrific! Such passion. I love it." -- Louise Teal, author *Breaking into the Current: Boatwomen of the Grand Canyon* "Wherever you go in the Grand Canyon, you're likely to be treading in the footsteps of John Annerino. There's no one better to tap for insights on Grand Canyon lore, history and geography. . . Here, canyon master John Annerino unveils the greatest tales of Grand Canyon history." -- National Geographic Adventure From the Author Researched and photographed throughout Canyon Country in the United States and Mexico, *Canyoneering* includes chapters featuring: Canyon Dreams; I. Canyon Country: The World Beneath the Horizon Line; II. Physiography: The Lay of the Land; III. Biogeography: Merriam's Life Zones and Plant Distribution; IV. Geology: Reading the Rocks; V. Canyoneers: Native Americans, Spaniards, and Anglos; VI. Canyoneering: Exploring the World Beneath the Horizonline. Illustrated with black and white photographs, charts, graphs, *Canyoneering* includes historic line drawings, bibliography, and index. COLORADO PLATEAU WILD and BEAUTIFUL by the author is now available on .com From the Back Cover Throughout history, the canyons of North America have been pioneered by Native Americans, Spaniards, soldiers, prospectors, surveyors, and river runners. These canyons are among the most spectacular in the world and provide unlimited opportunities for hikers, backpackers, climbers, and modern-day adventurers to explore the world below the horizonline. In *Canyoneering*, John Annerino offers a detailed, comprehensive guide to the fundamentals of canyon exploration: Natural history, geography, and geology of canyon country, How to prepare for a canyoneering expedition: training, conditioning, and equipment, Expert advice on hiking, rappelling, and rafting, Canyon hazards and how to avoid them, History of canyon dwellers and explorers, past and present