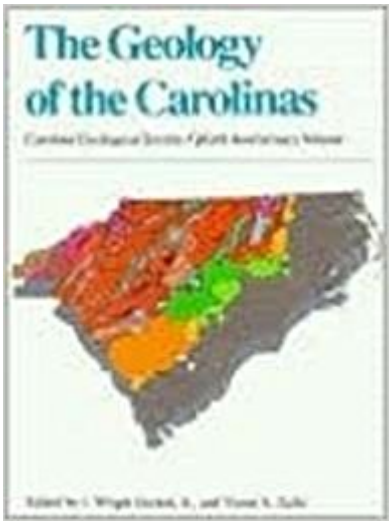
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Synopsis

To celebrate its fiftieth anniversary, the Carolina Geological Society invited forty-three authors to contribute to the creation of The Geology of the Carolinas. The only comprehensive, modern treatment of the subject, the volume has been prepared for a diverse readership ranging from undergraduate students to specialists in the fields of geology and related earth sciences. Following the editors' general introduction are chapters on Precambrian and Paleozoic metamorphic and igneous rocks of the Appalachian Blue Ridge and Piedmont; rocks of early Mesozoic rift basins, formed just before the opening of the Atlantic Ocean; Cretaceous and Tertiary sedimentary deposits of the Atlantic Coastal Plain; Quaternary geology and geomorphology; Cenozoic tectonism, including evidence for the recurrence of large earthquakes near Charleston; and an overview of mineral resources in the Carolinas. The book includes an index of field guides produced by the society and a thorough bibliography.By introducing exciting new concepts and focusing on challenging problems on the frontiers of research, this authoritative book will stimulate research in the years to come. The Editors: J. Wright Horton, Jr., is a research geologist for the United States Geological Survey in Reston, Virginia. Victor A. Zullo is a professor of geology at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington.

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Like the previous reviewer, I found this book to be difficult to grasp on the first read. The book is very complete, and it presents the subject matter in very technical terms. It is not a book for the faint of heart. On the other hand, the level of presentation raises the bar for amateur geologists, forcing us to do a little more research into the fundamentals of geology, and the result is a better appreciation of geology overall, in addition to understanding the local geology of the state.For those disinclined to do the work, but who desire a good overview of the forces that shaped the South Carolina area, I recommend Carolyn Hanna Murphy's book:Ã Â Carolina Rocks!: The Geology of South Carolina. It may whet your appetite for this more expensive, more complex, but also more rewarding tome.

Excellent Book

A highly technical, comprehensive review of the geology of the Carolinas, this book is not an easy read, nor should one expect it to be. Prepare by having a good glossary available, and perhaps a good basic text in geology as well. Then brace yourself - the geology is extraordinarily complex. These authors provide good insight.

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