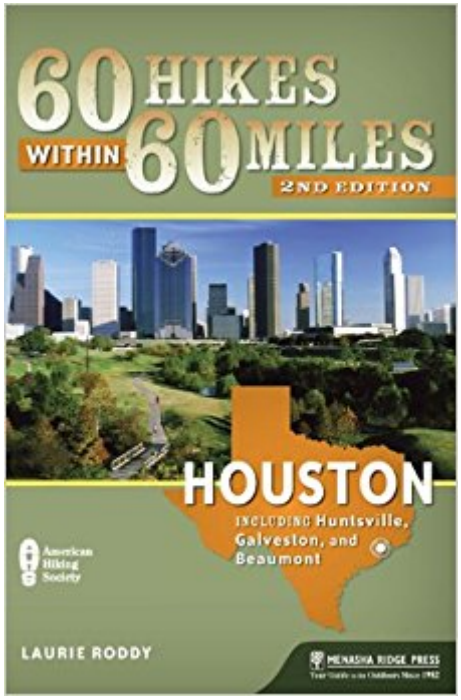
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Synopsis

60 Hikes within 60 Miles: Houston uncovers hikes around Houston that previously had gone unnoticed. This is the essential guide to this area, from the Big Thicket of east Texas to the coast of Galveston Island. Explore most of the 138-mile Lone Star Trail with over a dozen hikes breaking up the trail into manageable segments. Hikes lead to old native homesteads, native prairies, deep forests, riparian woodlands, urban byways, wildlife preserves along the Great Texas Coastal Birding Trail, wetlands, and numerous bayous and waterways. Each chapter serves as both a navigational aide and an interpretive guide to familiarize hikers with wondrous destinations in and around The Bayou City.

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Customer Reviews

I have been wanting to get out and about on some day hikes in the Houston area for a while now, and this book breaks it all down. I like knowing whether it’s something I want to try with only adults or whether I can take a child with me. Difficulty level, length, maps, what to take, what to see, nearby attractions, dangers, and other tips are all included. I love it!

Just moved to Houston in May and we are slowly expanding our horizons. This book provided us with all of the information necessary to go hiking locally. Also gives GPS coordinates to the start of each walk - great for SatNav drivers.Used it twice so far , for Brazos Bend and Huntsville State Park. No problems getting there and information provided was pretty accurate, although more

detailed information is available on each state park web site.The only real comment I have is that if one state park has multiple hikes, the explanation of that walk always started with a brief description of the state park - in the case of the Sam Houston National Forest, the same paragraph was repeated 4 times.In summary, a book that gives a good starting point if you're looking for local hiking trails in the Houston area.

Good compilation of fun hikes! Get it you'll find some good places to go!

This is the only book I could find like this for the area. It is good and helpful. I am giving it a 4 star because it lists the parks and lots of details but does not provide the phone numbers. A simple oversight but when the book states to call ahead and check certain things, you think a phone number (where available) would be noted. But the book does have a really good overview of many of the hikes in the area which is incredibly helpful. A nice overview since the county often does not have their website updated with necessary trail information yet.

This book did not have exact addresses of the trail heads to enter into a car GPS device. Also, many of the trails were longer, 4-5 miles and much longer, if that is what you want. Also, be careful that bayou trails can be damp, from what I was told on the trails. I found the narrative OK, but not great. For shorter hikes (1-2 hours) closer to Houston (within an hour) I liked the Easy Day Hikes book much better.

As a relative newbie to Houston and one who thinks that hiking is something that we could do only in New England but never here, this book truly surprised me. I had never dreamed there were so many opportunities for hiking in the Houston area! I'm pleased with the descriptions, the maps, the listings of the hikes into categories such as those for children, those of certain lengths, etc. We particularly liked having the coordinates so we could just set the GPS and arrive at the hiking site.

The book has good ideas for Houston area hikes. It will save you some internet research and give you some ideas you could never have come up with. Some of the hikes repeat information over and over for similar areas. I don't need to read the same summary of Huntsville State Park 5 times. The binding is very poor and pages will come loose pretty easily. Good local content though.

Great job

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