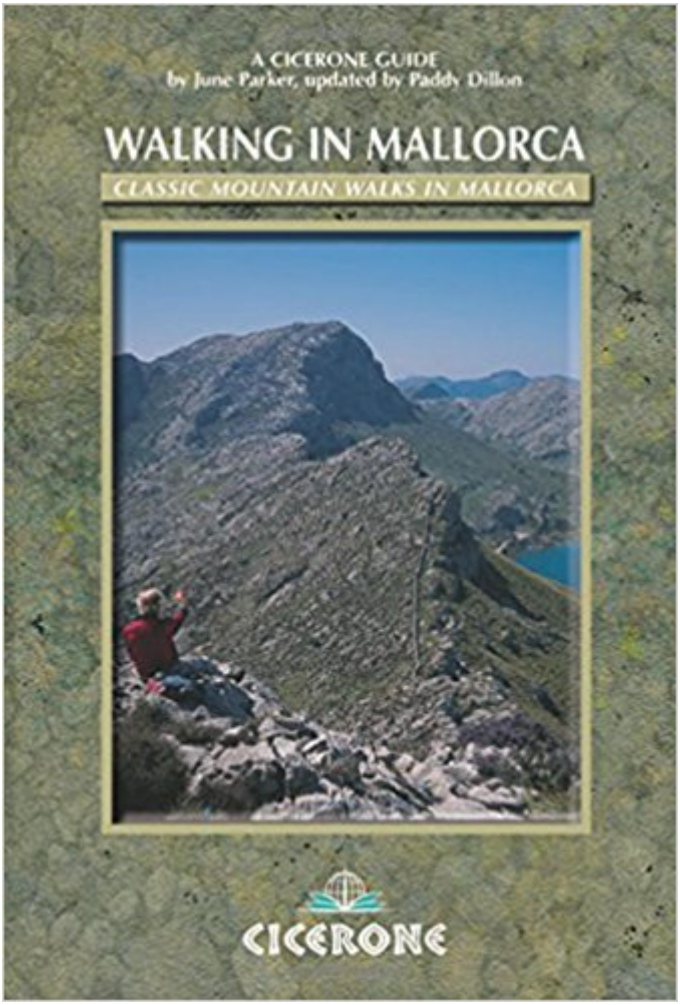
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Walking In Mallorca: Classic Mountain Walks In Mallorca (Cicerone Guides)



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Synopsis

'Walking in Mallorca' quickly established itself as the most comprehensive guidebook to the island, with particular emphasis on the rugged Serra de Tramuntana. June Parker's routes have been walked afresh, carefully checked and amended where necessary, and are now presented with new mapping and plenty of colour pictures. This book will entice walkers well off the beaten track, enabling them to explore the most diverse terrain around the island. Rugged mountain walks contrast with remote valleys, while waymarked trails give way to long-forgotten mule tracks and hidden mountain passes. Some walks run close to breathtaking cliff coastlines, while others pass through sleepy villages where welcome refreshment can be obtained.Birdwatchers, geologists, historians and pilgrims will find abundant interest throughout Mallorca and a full introduction explains about facilities around the island. Language notes are given in native Catalan and Castilian Spanish, enabling visitors to pass the time of day with local people and make the most of their visit to the island.

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Customer Reviews

Paddy Dillon is a prolific outdoor writer who lives on the fringe of the English Lake District. He has walked in many parts of Europe, as well as Nepal, Tibet, and the Canadian Rockies. June Parker was the original author of this guide, and was instrumental in opening up this fabulous Mediterranean island to walkers.

Too heavy! When backpacking, we need light-weight things in our bags :-) Also, this book was NOT organized in any intelligent fashion. Difficult to find actual locations (there doesn't seem to be an overall index in this book - if you're headed to a place and want to know the walks near it, you'd need to select one of the different areas in the book first, and then hunt and peck to find that named village on one of the walks). An index would have been helpful. Sometimes this book led us to "parking areas" where some were free and some required 20 Euro of payment. It would be nice to know ahead of time which are free ;-) As far as the details of the walks, we used this for only 1 or 2 of them, and the details were good about how much time between major landmarks. But overall the book is so un-user-friendly that we didn't use it very much.

Majorca is a great place to hike, and this book details many great trails. Even the latest version, however, is not up to date. We walked one trail between Deya and Valdemossa recommended in the book which had nearly entirely disappeared due to lack of use. It was clear hardly anyone had been on the trail for years, and this fact was not at all clear from the muted warning found buried in a textual account which emphasized how easy the majority of this trail was to hike. I would use this book to help you learn about trails, but I would double check with others before hiking them.Before leaving, we checked the book out of the library, and the paperback edition was lovely. While in Majorca we used the Kindle edition, which is usable but not great. In particular, it is was difficult to zoom in on maps and navigate the text.

While I haven't had a chance to use this book yet, it's certainly one of the finest, if not the finest, guidebook written in English about Mallorca. There are great and detailed maps, tips, and easy-to-read texts and I can't wait for it to cool down a bit more so that I can get out and hike with it!

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