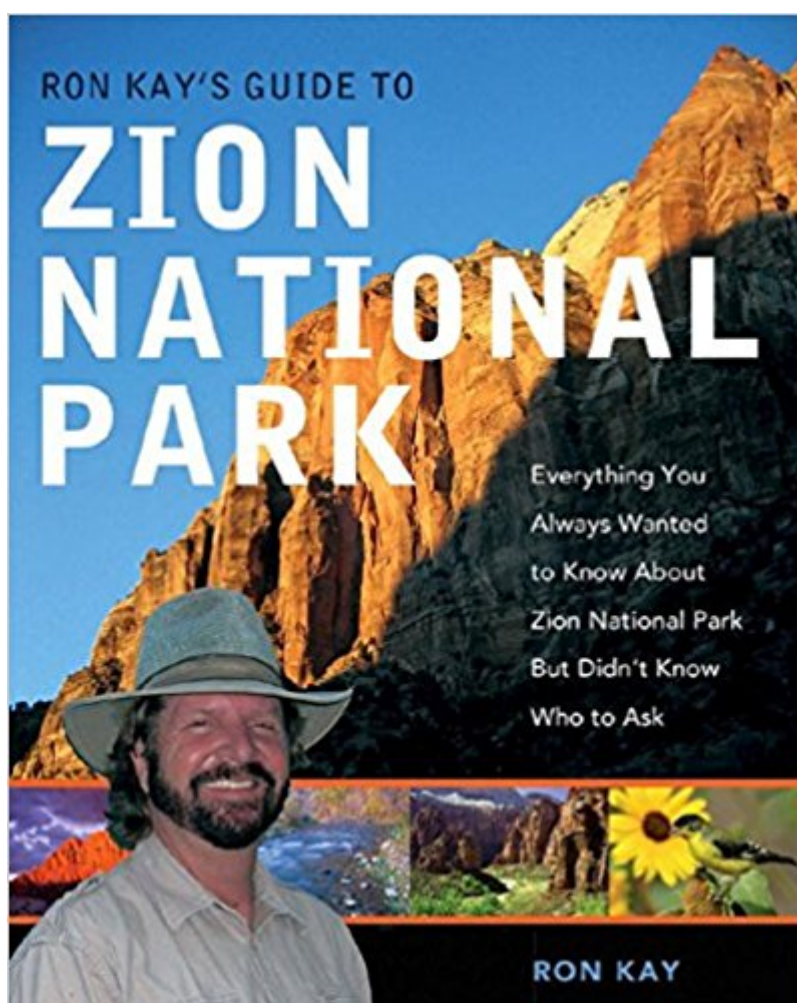


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Ron Kay's Guide To Zion National Park: Everything You Always Wanted To Know About Zion National Park But Didn't Know Who To Ask



Synopsis

A complete, user-friendly guide to Zion National Park, written by an interpretive park ranger. It's like having a park ranger in your back pocket. Ron Kay has been exploring and guiding in Utah's Zion National Park for more than 30 years. During that time and in the course of his work as an official U.S. interpretive park ranger, he has answered thousands of questions from park visitors and knows exactly where they want to go and what they want to see. Designed to be useful for any person who wants to visit Zion National Park—whether from first-time visitors to repeat guests ready to see and learn something new—this guide includes complete trail descriptions, maps, mountaineering tips, climbing spots, a detailed trip planner, and fascinating commentary about the park's natural and human history, geology, flora and fauna. Also included are Ron's recommendations for visiting Bryce and Grand Canyon National Parks. 50 black-and-white photographs, 6 maps

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Customer Reviews

Ron Kay is a park ranger in Zion National Park, where he facilitates visitor's programs on the history and geology of the Desert Southwest. A writer and photographer, he teaches at Dixie State College's Elderhostel program and the Zion Canyon Field Institute. Geologists, biologists, and naturalists from around the world have sought his expertise, and the Discovery Channel has featured him in their programs about the Southwest. He lives in Hurricane, UT.

Don't depend upon this book alone when you visit Zion National Park. It's trail guides are accurate but pretty general. For example, we (60 year olds in mixed fitness) found the times stated as

completion time for each trail to be very inaccurate...but maybe we just walk fast. The trail guides are conveniently grouped as to how long you will be hiking; one day visit, three day visit, etc. The book includes descriptions of all sides of the park, not just the over populated south and east sides. Lots of good information about what to look for as far as landscape features, animals, and plants. This book also includes trails that other books, and our maps didn't mention, however we just marked those suggested trails on our maps, then used only the maps during our stay. This book is a good book to read first for an overview of the park. P.S. We loved Zion National Park, and the Narrows were absolutely the best part. There are some lovely formations on the way to Kanab. Don't miss Bryce Canyon (but don't hike down into the canyon unless you are FIT and ACCLIMATED to the altitude.)

I was disappointed in this book. I was hoping to get more information about the park but this book is only about the hikes you can take in the park. I am not a big hiker so it wasn't useful to me at all. Should be titled "Everything you wanted to know about hikes in Zion".

The product, used, was in near new condition and a bargain. A good intro (only), the content was not much more than what I already knew, since I am fairly familiar with Zion and was looking for more.

written for a 10 year old

We have just completed an Elderhostel trip around the Grand Circle under Ron's tutelage, and I have reviewed an electronic version of this book (I am in the process of purchasing the paper volume). Ron is an authentic naturalist and a dedicated advocate for the glories of this region which he has explored from corner to corner. He's also a very effective teacher. From an up-close and personal perspective, I doubt that there is anyone better qualified and able to write a book with this title and I recommend it strongly.

Terrible book - no helpful information

Of great use to anyone planning a trip to Zion National Park. Explicit text on various hiking trails of all levels.

Very quick ship! Fascinating articles!

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