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Ralph Ramey : 50 Hikes in Ohio: Day Hikes and Backpacks Throughout the Buckeye State (Fifty Hikes Series) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised 50 Hikes in Ohio: Day Hikes and Backpacks Throughout the Buckeye State (Fifty Hikes Series):

8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful gift for the hikers in your families! By K. L. Sadler This

book was a gift for my husband who is an avid hiker. Since our home is in Pennsylvania, he is very familiar with local forests, like Allegheny National Forest and Cook Forest. However, Ohio is less than a half hour away, and he needed more information about where to hike and where to take the Boy Scouts for both hikes and camping trips. We never realized Ohio had such wonderful and great sites until we saw this book. The maps and descriptions and information about difficulty of hiking for the various trails are great (except at least one map we used need updating for changes in the path). What is really enjoyed is the historical information given. Sometimes the Scouts need to be given some historical information to make the hiking more interesting, and history always aids in making memories. For an example in the section on Beaver Creek State Park there are a bunch of old locks and dams. One of the locks on the canal was named after the daughter of a worker on the canal who died. Her casket was buried in the lock, and when the worker was finished in Ohio he dug up the casket to take it back to his country. The ship sunk on the ocean and both the worker and the casket were never retrieved. This type of story makes the history of the time period more accessible to both the Scouts and to anyone who is hiking in the area. It certainly is a good reminder of how easy our lives are compared to the 1800's... Great reference book. Karen Sadler University of Pittsburgh

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Excellent GuideBy choiceweb0pen0Ramey knows all the obscure places to hike in Ohio and this book 's organization by region lets you see what is available in your corner of Ohio. The mileage is useful, though the estimated hiking times are a little long in many cases. I may just walk too fast. I think this is book is essential to help find new places to hike, that would otherwise go unexplored. One problem that takes away a star is confusing directions to the trailhead and sometimes on the trail. I try to research places before I go so I have back up directions. However, I'm thrilled that he has written a second book with 50 more hikes. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Alex finneyGreat book! Super fast shipping.

A lot of hiking can be found in a state as diverse and as committed to preserving its natural heritage as Ohio. In an extensive system of state parks, wildlife areas, natural preserves, and historic sites - not to mention the state-long Buckeye Trail - you will find trails that follow old wagon roads, primitive game paths, and abandoned railroad beds. The 50 hikes in this guide are grouped geographically and range over the entire state, from the rugged Appalachian plateau of Shawnee Forest in the south to the Ottawa Wildlife Refuge on the shores of Lake Erie. Even if you live in one of Ohio's major metropolitan areas, there's a hike just a short drive away. There are outings for every ability, from easy walks to rigorous overnight backpacks. Each hike write-up includes: trail access and parking information; route distance and hiking time; a contour map; and mile-by-mile directions. In addition, the author's commentary on plants and animals, geology and local history makes each hike a way to learn something new about a diverse and compelling region.