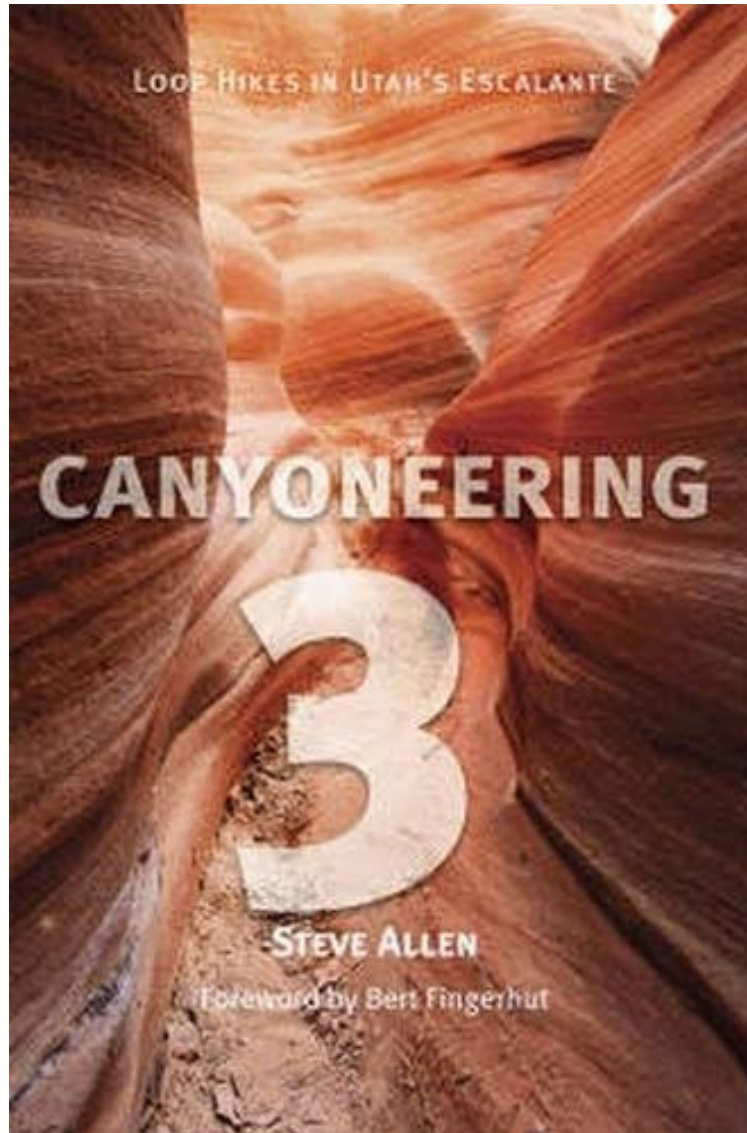


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**Steve Allen : Canyoneering 3: Loop Hikes in Utahs Escalante** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Canyoneering 3: Loop Hikes in Utahs Escalante:

40 of 43 people found the following review helpful. Phenomenal Masterwork of Backcountry DescriptionBy Tom JonesOh My God. Having delved into this book in preparation for an upcoming week in the Escalante, I am bowled over by the breadth and depth of this phenomenal book. Amazing. This covers in fine detail backcountry travel routes in the very large and very wild Escalante area. Does not even compare to any other guide I have ever seen. There is

such a depth of detail... Plus Steve's enthusiasm for the southlands exudes from the text. This is an extraordinary book. Emphasis is on longer adventures, but there are also good day trips. Folks looking for placid strolls down well developed trails should probably look elsewhere. Not only are there few developed trails in the Escalante, but they are not described here.

5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. First impressions  
By Joann Lewis  
I just received this book and since Canyoneering 2 said Technical and 3 did not I expected more family and senior friendly hikes. I was able to find downloadable maps for this book and intend to carry a Laptop and printer with us on our trip so I can cut paste and print relevant parts of the maps for the hikes. Even with the cost of an inverter and ink it will still be way cheaper than buying the individual maps and then only needing a small area of the map for the individual hike. Each hike is broken into segments and some sections are more difficult so some will be there and back again hikes for us. We are interested in photographing the canyons and slots and needed easy in and out hikes. We have no problem camping on the hike and know how to tread lightly. We have been to Utah several times but only for the standard 2 week vacation in retirement we are planning six week trips so need hikes a bit more easy on the joints. I have climbed when younger and we plan to take classes and get the newer gear but will only use it to assist on steeper trails and descents in the 3 range to make sure we do not have any problems. At first glance on a couple of canyons I had researched on line the sections are a bit hard to follow and understand. He also puts extra notes in for hard core canyoneers but so far I have seen nothing aimed at identifying sections that would be family friendly. While it states for all skill levels often the easy section is a major hike from the trailhead and ropes and climbing gear are needed near the trailhead. It would have been nice to better identify easy hikes by indenting or printing in a different font. A lot of the book and sections of the hikes are biographical with anecdotal stories while entertaining I bought the book for accurate information and while stories of close calls certainly illustrate the care and caution needed they take up space that could have been better used describing the routes more accurately. This is an older dated book but titles on these hikes are not common so it is a buy what you can find. I am looking for a newer guide with GPS data I have been using a GPS for over 10 years and expect that they are a common item with hikers. We all know that printed maps are still needed in case the unit is dropped and damaged or fails. Not sure what is out there that is more up to date but I will be looking for it. This is good for identifying hikes and with a bit more time I should be able to sort out the non technical areas and select which trails to research more. I have copied and pasted routes from some Blogs to Word Documents and so am sort of creating my own guide. The issue here is most are written by 20 and 30 somethings with a two meter stride and when you compare two it is often like reading about two different trails. I had better hopes for this guide as he is considered one of the top few in this area and since beginner is in the description it needed better organization and a different writing style to convey the material to them an avoidance of insider terms when writing for that audience is really needed and for those of us that have not climbed for nearly 40 years.

Bill Lewis  
1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Good for Escalante  
By david  
Helpful descriptions, other books and websites would be helpful simply for variety. This is not a coffee table book. Very detailed routes, clear info and a wealth of experience are evident on every page. The map and reference layout is somewhat confusing, but on the whole a top reference book for Escalante hikes.

Utah's Escalante country: a vast jigsaw puzzle of desert canyons, draws, defiles, gorges, slots, and washes demarcating upland expanses of slickrock, benches, and ridges, above which stand towers, pinnacles, and peaks. Inhabited for centuries by the ancient Puebloans and now managed primarily by various federal agencies, it is a land of stark contrasts and unforgettable beauty. This guide features 37 major hikes designed to satisfy any canyoneer from novice to expert, including 20 in the new Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. All hikes are designed as loops, eliminating the need to backtrack or car shuttle for those inclined to do the full routes. Dayhikers can choose routes from an hour to all day, backpackers will find multi-day hikes, and those who prefer charting their own course will also profit from the information here. Aside from the detailed route descriptions, Canyoneering 3 describes 14 road sections plus side roads to ensure time will not be lost finding a trailhead in this often confusing country. Also included are sections on geology, history, equipment, and technical canyoneering. Thoroughly researched, this is now the most comprehensive guide to the wonderland of the Escalante. Hikes include: Death Hollow; Sand Creek; Boulder Mail Trail; Big Flat Wash, the Escalante River, and the Bowington Road; Middle Boulder Creek; Upper Boulder Creek and Dry Hollow; Phipps Wash; Big Horn Canyon; The Escalante River and the Sand Slides; Red Breaks Canyon; Harris Wash; Egypt 3-The Slot; Lower Harris Wash; Fence Canyon, the Escalante River, and Twenty-five Mile Wash; Twenty-five Mile Wash, the Escalante River, and Scorpion Gulch; Spooky and Peek-a-Book Gulches-The Long Loop; Upper Brimstone Gulch-The Slot; Scorpion Gulch and the Scorpion Horse Trail; Peek-a-Boo and Spooky Gulches-The Standard Loop; Coyote Gulch; Stevens Canyon and the Waterpocket Fold; Stevens and Fold Canyons; The Pollywog Bench Area; Forty-mile Creek and Willow Gulch Everett Russ; Fifty-mile Creek; Sixty Point and Twilight Canyon; Llewellyn and Cottonwood Gulches; Davis Gulch; Clear Creek and the Cathedral in the Desert; Deer Creek; Steep Creek and Horse Canyon; The Gulch and Horse Canyon; Little Death Hollow and Wolverine Creek; Egg Canyon and Lamanite Arch; Silver Falls Creek and Choprock Canyon; Deer Point-An Ascent; Moody Creek Canyons

.com Steve Allen describes the Escalante National Monument as "a twisted, complex web of sandstone; a jigsaw puzzle of canyons, draws, gorges and washes." His guide, *Canyoneering 3*, is the latest installment in a series that helps debunk myths of desert hiking being little more than strolling over flat, sandy landscapes. Allen walks the reader through 23 hikes with necessarily wordy descriptions, proving that Escalante is as complicated as it is picturesque. The author is regarded as a legend among canyoneers; you couldn't find a better tour guide to steer you through. --Ben Tiffany A good source of information on canyoneering in the Escalante region. Allens passion for protecting the environment and exploring the land is evident in his writing. Utah Archaeology