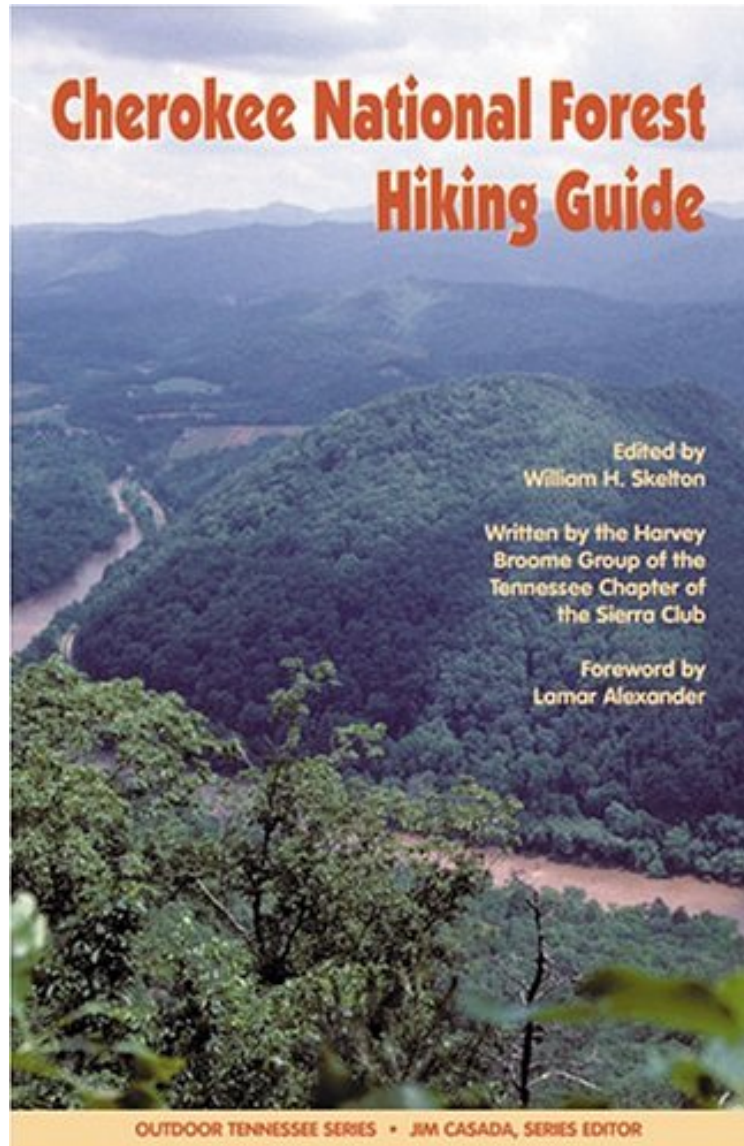


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From U Of Chicago : Cherokee National Forest Hiking Guide (Outdoor Tennessee Series) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Cherokee National Forest Hiking Guide (Outdoor Tennessee Series):

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Quite an undertakingBy Mr geocacher to youThis is a well written book describing trails in the Cherokee Nat'l Forest. It groups trails by area, but would benefit from a little additional organizing into categories such as day hikes, waterfall hikes, overnights, etc. Nevertheless it gives a good description

of what to expect and a few highlights along the way. This book will provide details that other trail books of the area will not cover - even though it lacks some organizational aspects and wilderness details I find personally useful, it is a go-to book for trip planning. It contains a little history on some of the land covered in the book without too much political agenda. The mountain biker, horse rider, or jeeper won't get too miffed in the occasional pro foot-trail only commentary. The trail ratings are covered as the USFS would rate them and as the Nat Geo trail maps rate them so you will know which you feel comfortable with after a few hikes. It is a sturdy book for a paperback - not for the pack necessarily but certainly for base camp. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Four Stars By Hans Ahlstedt A little dated, but still the most comprehensive and detailed guide on Cherokee National Forest hiking trails. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great great book!!!! By martin a. davis Not entirely accurate, but definitely one of the best hiking books I have ever bought! Very good descriptions of the trails along with some interesting history. The only downside to the book is that I found some of the mileage to be off on some of the trails.

First published in 1992, Cherokee National Forest Hiking Guide has been a vital companion to thousands who have explored the 640,000-acre Cherokee National Forest. This second edition has been substantially expanded to cover all hiking trails in the forest as of 2003. Stretching across the Tennessee-North Carolina state line, the Cherokee National Forest includes much of the western slopes of the southern Appalachian Mountains, north and south of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The area encompasses a tremendous diversity of wildlife, vegetation, and scenic vistas of high mountain peaks and beautiful creeks, waterfalls, and valleys. Almost two hundred described and mapped trails and footpaths wind throughout this wildlife haven, inviting everyone who loves the outdoors-- hikers, backpackers, hunters, anglers, and horseback riders-- to explore its natural beauty. The Cherokee National Forest Hiking Guide provides maps and specific directions along with a wealth of general information on the forest's present and past wildlife, vegetation, and geology, as well as a history of the forest's human inhabitants-- including the political battles that have been waged to protect the forest. Featuring a new foreword by Senator Lamar Alexander, this book remains the definitive guide to this expansive and alluring landscape sure to thrill outdoorsmen for many generations to come.

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