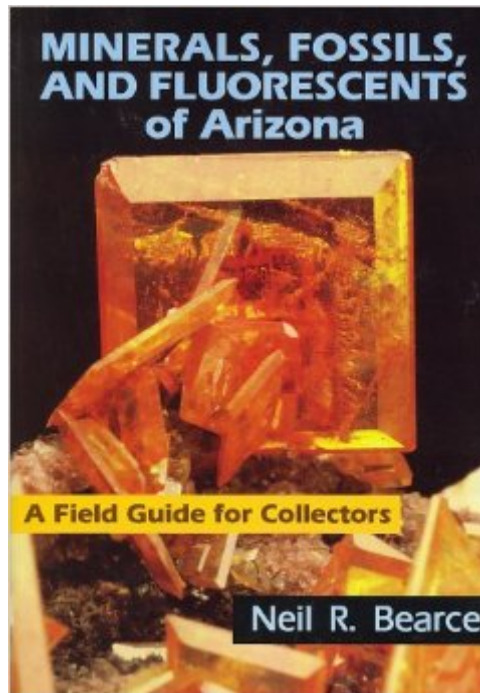


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Minerals, Fossils, And Fluorescents Of Arizona: A Field Guide For Collectors



Synopsis

From the author of "Minerals of Arizona-a Field Guide for Collectors", comes a second field guide for Arizona collectors. This is not an updated version of "Minerals of Arizona", but an entirely new, expanded field guide designed for not only the mineral collector, but for fossil and fluorescent collectors as well. No other Arizona rockhound book contains special independent sections on fossils and fluorescents. The field research for this work took over 3 years during which the author traveled over 25,000 miles across Arizona and visited over 300 potential collecting sites. To aid the collector, Minerals, Fossils, and Fluorescents includes: - 90 collecting sites complete with site photographs and National Geographic Topo! (C) maps. - Global positioning system coordinates for each location. - A difficulty scale informing the reader of the effort required to reach, navigate, and collect at each site. - chapters covering the basic science of the minerals, fossils, and fluorescents to be collected. - The geological formations at each site and the scientific properties of the specimens found there. - 20 pages of full color photographs of specimens by the well-known mineral photographer Jeffrey Scovil including 5 pages of fluorescent minerals. - Over 400 pages of text, maps, and collecting site and specimen photographs.

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Customer Reviews

This book is a valuable resource for the amateur rock and mineral collector. It is an important update to the author's earlier book, Minerals of Arizona. The topo maps are clear and extremely valuable, and the GPS info should be of help to those who rely on modern technology. The question of access to sites on private land is addressed, although only minimally, especially in this age of

increased interest in small-scale mining. Road and trail access to many of the sites is very difficult, and prospectors need to be very well prepared to visit many of them.

I have the older 1999 edition of this book, and even so, it is much better than Gem Trails of Arizona by Mitchell and FAR superior to Rockhounding Arizona by Blair. It not only provides information about sites that one can actually collect at (unlike Blair, which describes many sites closed to the public), the maps are fantastic, the directions superb, and the difficulty in reaching, finding and collecting at each site is given in any easy to understand format. This is definitely my "go to" book when I want to get down and dirty with Arizona's minerals. At some point, I'll have to get the updated version though, because some of the sites I've been to, while nice, appeared well picked over.

We have this book as well as his earlier book "Minerals of Arizona". These two books are by far the best field guides we have found for any state. We have used them for numerous sites. This book does not include the sites from his earlier book, so I would strongly suggest that you purchase both books if possible. The topo maps are so much better than a cartoon drawing if you actually want to find the site.

I just got back from AZ looking for rock. This book was my guide. I was supposed to be gone a month, but came home after a week. Most of the places I attempted to go to are either not there or the roads do not exist any more. This info is now grossly outdated. As a matter of fact, in one place, I was standing at the GPS coordinates and the place was not there. I found much more material by accident than by using the book. As an addition. This book will get you to many places where you will actually find some good stuff. However, it will also take you off down the rabbit hole if you do not thoroughly research your stops ahead of time. Bearce self published this book and his editor and publisher sucked. Before you go to any of these places, make sure you do your research. Until you have been to a location, leave the kids at home where they will remain alive. There are numerous typos which will place you up to 20 miles from the actual spot.

Lots of good information. Would have appreciated more info as to where to find these mineral. The author suggested many sites, but mostly limited to only a few geographical areas. I understand that minerals are not scattered evenly across the state, but it would have been a better resource had it covered more areas.

I received the book well before the expected shipment date which made me happy. I was very pleased that the book was carefully wrapped and I received it without damage. I have excellent opinion about the book itself. Well organized chapter, clearly written text and easy to understand for a foreigner reader like me. I like this book because it contains GPS data where the mineral was found. I did not meet similar mineralogical book.

This book is exactly what we was looking for. All the locations has GPS settings which takes you right to the location.

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