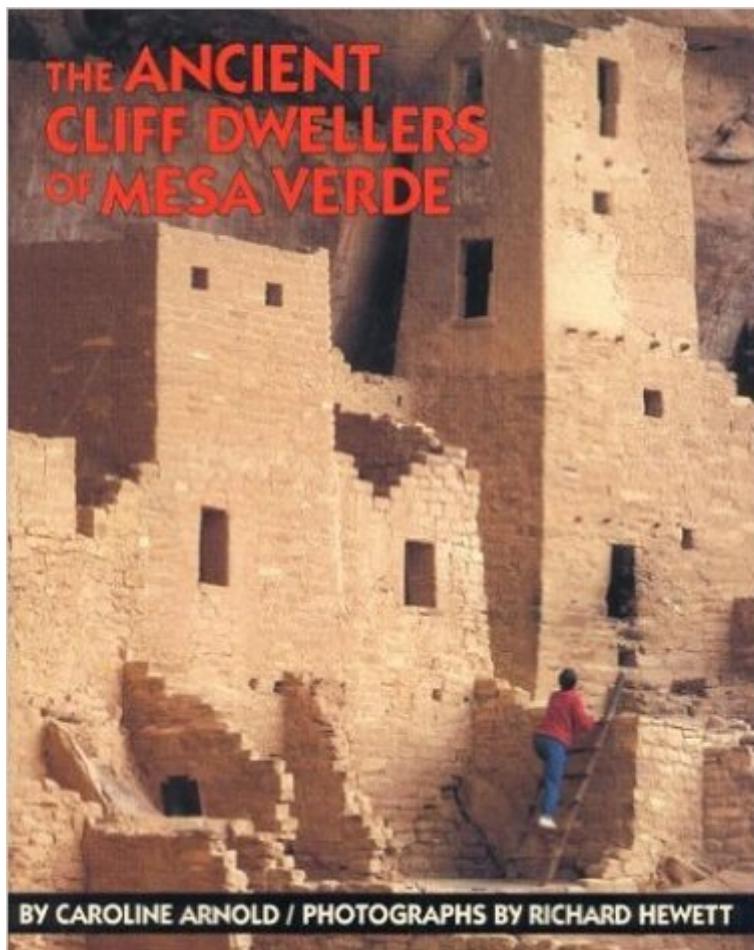


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# The Ancient Cliff Dwellers Of Mesa Verde



## **Synopsis**

Discusses the Native Americans known as the Anasazi who migrated to southwestern Colorado in the first century A.D.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

This book is a quick, interesting read for a grade-school kid, but its coverage of both the history of Mesa Verde and the Anasazi people who lived there is shallow and sheds little light on the subject. Few of the assertions in the book (for example, that the male members of the community built the cliff dwellings and that the kivas were used for ceremonial purposes) are backed up with any documentation or reasoning. The photos are just average in quality, and the reader finishes the book not knowing much more about the cliff dwellers than when she started. Even kids want more info than this!

I am fascinated by the Anasazi people and have visited Chaco Canyon in New Mexico in 2005. I visited Mesa Verde in June of 2008. Although the park rangers who led tours provided a lot of information about the people of Mesa Verde, I wanted to know much more. This book provided much useful information. It was written in language that was easy to understand and any

archeologist words used were defined. It was illustrated with frequent high quality photographs.

If you are interested in Mesa Verde you ought to have this one. Light reading and reasonable photos. Tourist level book. Nothing new but a little stack of the used books like this one and you get to where you can recognize sites before you visit.

Excellent book on Mesa Verde. Quick read (64 large pages) with lots of good pictures and information on cliff dwellings, pottery, tools. Explains what you can see there and how the people lived. Signed by author.

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