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Synopsis

This guide to hiking Colorado's trails includes the Eastern Plains, the Front Range, the Northern and Central Mountains, the San Luis Valley, the Southern and Southwestern Mountains, and Canyon Country. Colorado provides unparalleled hiking opportunities, with 54 peaks over 14,000 feet offering sweeping vistas, rocky summits, and alpine tundra. On the western side of the Rocky Mountains, the land drops down into a labyrinth of sandstone canyons and sprawling, desert mesas. Outdoor writer and photographer Cameron Burns has selected 50 of the best hikes in the state for this guide. Some climb high peaks, such as the Twin Lakes Trail up Mount Elbert; some visit secluded alpine lakes; some, like Pictograph Point, lead you to archeological treasures; while others, like the Great Dune hike at Sand Dunes National Monument are classic travel destinations. The hikes range in length from 1 to 15 miles. Each hike description includes a topographic map, mile-by-mile directions, and information on distance, difficulty, terrain, and hiking time. An overview chart makes it easy to pick a hike for every ability. 50 black-and-white photographs, 51 maps

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