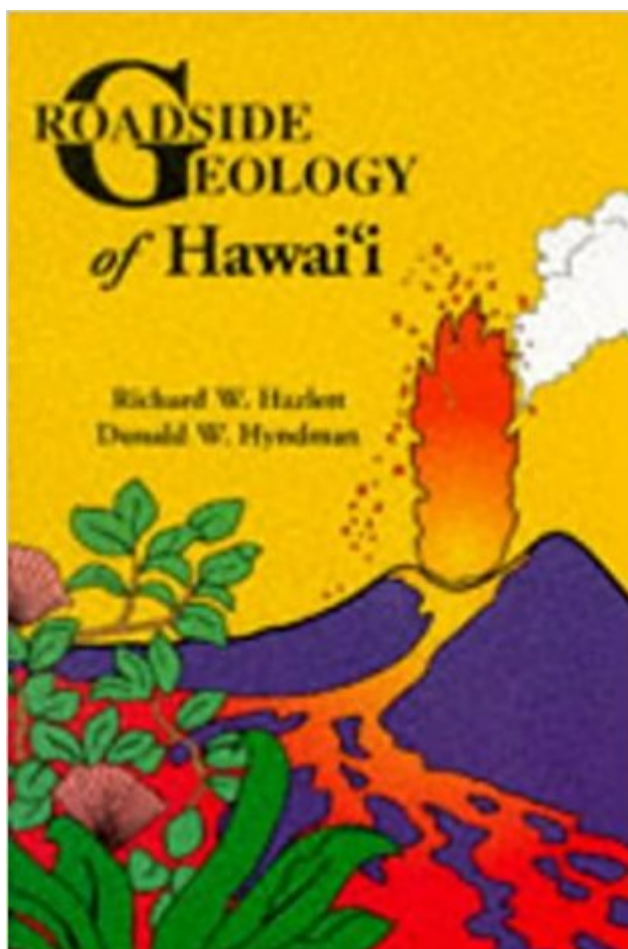


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Roadside Geology Of Hawai'i



Synopsis

Roadside Geology of Hawai'i details the evolution of this volcanic island chain, from the origin of a hot spot and the tumultuous creation of each island to ongoing eruptions and the gradual death and erosion of old volcanoes. Residents and tourists alike will soon become experts on lava tubes and lava flows, ancient beaches and coral reefs, ephemeral black sand beaches and the occasional tsunami. Includes a chapter each on six easily accessible and populated islands: Hawai'i, Maui, Lana'i, Moloka'i, O'ahu, and Kaua'i. Each chapter begins with a general discussion of the rocks of that island, then proceeds with a series of road guides that provide the local details.

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Customer Reviews

"There is no question that Roadside Geology of Hawai'i is the best general geologic roadguide available in printed form and is a real bargain at \$20." --Environmental & Engineering Geoscience

Donald W. Hyndman is dedicated to bringing geology to the general public, and cofounded the popular Roadside Geology series. He has written a number of the series titles with coauthor David Alt, and helps edit others. Richard W. Hazlett is a geology professor at Pomona College in Claremont, California. He has been an interpretive ranger at Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, a research technician at the Hawaii Volcano Observatory, a geology professor at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, and a lead scholar for the 24-part PBS television series "Earth Revealed."

The Roadside Geology series is an informative, easy to understand, guide to the world under our feet. There are explanations of how each island was formed and continues to change. Then there are maps of roads with descriptions of mountains and valleys along them. This is not a "back roads" odyssey, but a companion to routes one is likely to travel anyway. Naturally in Hawaii, there are numerous scenic places where a tourist will want to stop even without this book. For virtually every stop, there is an annotated photograph. It is very easy to compare the photo with the real view and identify, for example, different lava flows that occurred at different times. I had a copy of Roadside Geology of Hawaii on my last trip, which I gave to a friend. Once I started planning my next trip, I knew I needed to get a new copy. BTW. This is one of a series that covers many different states.

Nice roadside guide - mostly for geologists, but non-geologists may also find it interesting. May be a bit dated, particularly regarding recent larval flows, but overall informative.

I am fascinated with all things Hawaii, particularly the geological features, the volcanoes, etc. I love thinking about how they form, and how in such a short time in the planet's history, they will disappear forever. I know very little about geology, having never taken a course on it in college or reading any books about it. I found this incredibly interesting, understandable, and comprehensive. I've also found some new places to go and can't wait to bring the book with me on my next trip. The only thing keeping me from giving it 5 stars are that the pictures, which are very useful, would be more useful if they were in color.

I read this prior to our trip to Hawaii, and found it enriching while we were there. Haleakale came alive for me on viewing it now, and with Kilauea, Most enriching. We were privileged to observe the volcano in the daytime, and the real treat was to see it from aboard a ship at night, with two wildly red avenues of lava falling down and into the sea, with visible blasts of steam rising upwards on the lava's contact with the sea. This book enriched our journey!

Add a little info to your travels. I only wish it were available in audio format or an app that communicates with Google Maps so I would catch everything we're driving by and not have to try to read in the car.

Happy with the transaction. The book was just as advertised.

Excellent book on the geology of all the Hawaiian Islands. My copy was the sixth printing of the original edition.

This book is a simple way for non-Geology speaking people to discover the marvels of the Geological world. It introduces you to the basics of geology and gives diagrams and examples explaining the geology of the volcanic Hot Spot that is Hawaii. Each island has its own chapter, complete with simple maps and images to match the explanation. Great guidebook if you are a Geologist or are just interested in going to Hawaii to see the volcanoes.

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