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# Field Guide To Caves And Karst Of Guam





## Synopsis

A field guide to the limestone areas of Guam, their numerous caves, and karst topography. It includes information on hiking, caving, kayaking, diving and other outdoor activities.

## **Book Information**

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#### **Customer Reviews**

This was a great gift to give to a friend who was going to Guam. she loves diving and exploring caves. This let her see some of the caves of Guam.

Didn't realize there were so many caves and holes in Guam, both on land and below in the ocean. Unfortunately, we did not find a use for this guide. Perhaps if we had stayed longer in Guam, or perhaps if we were divers this guide would have been more useful. Looks well done, though.

This book is awesome! It made me excited to explore in Guam and also was clear as to difficulty level of the hikes to the caves. I have such great pictures and memories of these caves. It is hard to find places in the world with such beautiful caves that are also fairly easily accessible.

What a great resource! I can't wait to put it to use on my next visit to Guam.

I wasn't sure about this book, but having a little bit of time in Guam, and being interested in geology, and very few guidebooks being available, I risked it. The book is great! Talks about the geology, hydrology, topography, and lists lots of caves and how to get to them, with maps of some. But it also describes various hikes, beaches, snorkelling spots and other interesting features. Turns out it's actually kind of good as a general guidebook for Guam, at least for my interests. It's also well produced, with topo map reproductions for much of the island, good printing, lots of color pictures and nicely made drawings etc. Way better than I expected! If you are at all interested in geology or caves, and going to Guam, I highly recommend this book. Maybe even if you just want ideas for hikes or beaches.

I am the author of this book. The current prices in access of \$100 per copy are due to the fact that the book is out of print. This book is NOT worth that much. Please do not buy it at such an outrageous price and wait for a reprint. We are working on it.

Field Guide to Caves and Karst of Guam by Danko Taborosi is an excellent contribution to Guam's history. It accounts for the caves and karst of the island, in a way that is academic, scientific and yet a helpful guide for all who want to explore the island's natural features. Outdoor activities should be encouraged but not at the expense of safety, and this book conveys the inherent dangers associated with exploring the Island's dangerous but exciting outdoors; characteristics unique to islands. However, it admonishes the importance of calculating, planning and well thought out approach with emphasis on the significance of special training and numerous precautions when exploring vertical caves, deep dives and naturally developed karst areas. I was amazed with the natural beauty of the Island that Danko's photos reveal, something I've not seen although Guam has been my home since birth, 50 years ago. Through his work I have been introduced to a Guam I had no familiarity with and can now learn to appreciate. His devotion to exploration and work over the year that he gathered the material for his book is a wonderful gift to the Chamorro people.  $D\tilde{A}f\mathcal{A}$ :  $\tilde{A}$  ťngkolo na Si Yu'os Ma' $\tilde{A}f\mathcal{A}$ :  $\tilde{A}$  ťse (Thank you very much) Danko.

I originally bought this book just for reading material, but when I found out I was going to Guam I broke it out and read it in earnest. I found the guide to be very well written with many color photographs, cave descriptions, topo maps (which helped with general navigation as well as hiking), and many other sections such as diving, hiking and kayaking. After going to Guam and actully using the book as a field guide I was even more impressed with how well the book is laid out, the accuracy of the descriptions and the depth of information. The spiral binding and plasiticized pages make it ideal for use on the trail and it will stand up well to being tossed in a backpack on a regular basis. I highly recommend this book for anybody interested in the geology, history and/or recreation

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