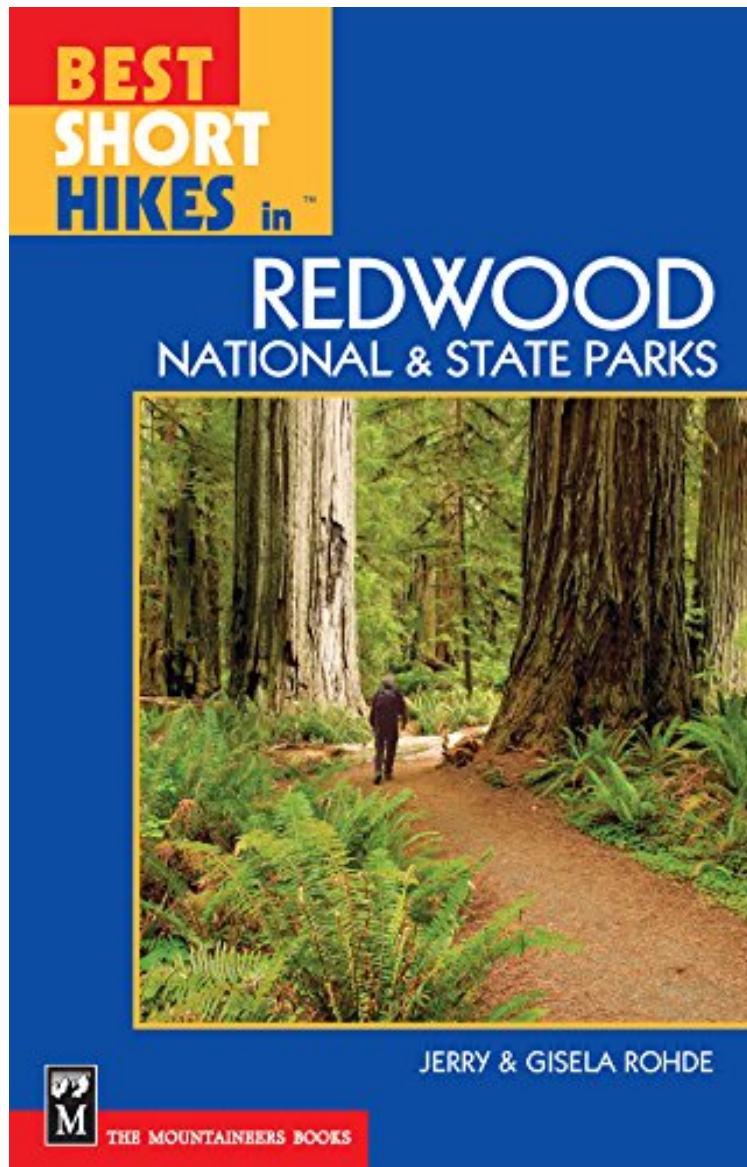


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Gisela Rohde, Jerry Rohde : Best Short Hikes in Redwood National and State Parks before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Best Short Hikes in Redwood National and State Parks:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Indispensible guide for Redwoods hikersBy Sean LahmanThis is the one book you need if you;re going to hike in northern California. It offers a great overview of each of the state/national parks, with detailed guides to more than 60 specific hiking trails. It also does a great job of conveying a sense of what

the Redwoods are like, and the things you need to know to be prepared. (Grateful I'd read the warning about the possibility of poison oak in some areas -- we encountered it and successfully avoided it.) Reading this book helped me make the most of my six-day trip, and I'm grateful for the great hikes I was able to have as a result. 39 of 39 people found the following review helpful. Super Hiking among the Northern California Redwoods By Fritz R. Ward One would be hard pressed to find better authors for a hiking guide to the Northern California Redwood Forests. Jerry and Gisela Rohde have already published two excellent travel guides to the area and their works are a delight to read. Perhaps the single best feature of this book is that the authors actually limited themselves to describing only short and easy walks in the region. (This is in sharp contrast to some of the other Mountaineers Press "Short Hikes" guides which have been known to include 22 mile hikes!) Of the sixty-four hikes included in this book, twelve are less than a mile, and only seven exceed 5 miles. Literally anyone can find a walk suited to them among those listed in this book. This book has several other nice aspects as well. Mileages for trails are accurate to within 1/20 (.05) miles. The Rohde's also provide graphic representations of the amount of elevation you can expect to gain or lose over the course of a hike. Finally, each hike includes a sketch map of the trail and most include stunning black and white photographs that are almost worth the price of the book alone. If I have any complaint at all about this book, it is that I would have begun coverage of the North Coast Redwoods at Richardson Grove State Park rather than Humboldt Redwoods. Richardson Grove appears right after you cross the Humboldt County line while traveling north on Hwy 101. It is at this point you truly know you are in Redwood Country. The many beautiful trails there merit a visit if you are coming into Humboldt county from the south. That said, the authors are to be commended for including Humboldt Redwoods State Park since it is outside the boundaries of the National Park and often overlooked. I personally think the F.K. Lane Grove walk (Hike 1 in this book) is the single best stroll among redwoods in the state. Humboldt Redwoods State Park is also the location of the tallest redwood trees, National Park claims to the contrary notwithstanding. Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park also receives much needed attention in this volume. I hope to spend several days there the next time I go north. This book is simply a "must buy." Any trip to the Northern California Coast without it is incomplete. Also be sure to pick up the authors' other two books. They contain delightful local histories of the region and are a joy to read. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. You want this book By kraggio The hike descriptions "while excellent--are only part of the story. The authors give enough history to really help place you--the reader and hiker--back in time when these woods were preserved, and to really appreciate the efforts others made a century ago that allows us a hike in the forest primeval. You want this book, as it sets up productive use of your time, whether only a few hours, or three days like me. The book will make you stop instead of driving the entirety of 101 as I had done previously without more than a cursory stop or two.

* More than 60 short hikes in the Redwoods -- from half-hour to half-day -- with camping and park facilities information * Handy quick-guide for selecting hikes by difficulty, mileage and features (flowers, water, views, etc.)* Little-known Redwood Park gems as well as world-famous Founders Grove and Fern Canyon trails A stand of towering old-growth redwoods, where sounds are dampened to near silence, where only the dimmest rays of light penetrate...or are you looking for redwood hikes with beaches? Redwood hikes known for wildflowers? You'll find those, too, in this guide devoted to the best hikes in Redwood National Park and the state parks--Prairie Creek, Del Norte Coast, Jedediah Smith and Humboldt Redwoods State Parks. Most trailheads are adjacent to paved roads, accessible within five miles of Pacific Coast Highway 101. This guidebook includes many short hikes off Avenue of the Giants and Newton B. Drury Scenic Parkway. It will take you to the Boy Scout Tree and to the Tallest Tree, a 367.8-foot skyscraper. But it also includes trails for solitude even at the height of the tourist season. Background information on redwood biology rounds out your experience.

A wonderfully accessible little guide that not only describes all kinds of short, manageable walks, it also gives the history of each area. (North Coast Journal) About the Author GISELA ROHDE and her husband Jerry bring to this project more than 20 years of experience hiking their local trails and a dozen years of background in researching the area's human and natural history. They have previously co-authored three guidebooks to West Coast state and national parks: Humboldt Redwoods State Park: The Complete Guide; Redwood National and State Parks: Tales, Trails Auto Tours; and Mount Rainier National Park: Tales, Trails Auto Tours. Gisela works as the serials manager at the Humboldt State University Library. A Master Gardener, she helped develop a historic period garden at Fort Humboldt State Historic Park. She is also a two-time chairperson of the North Group, Sierra Club. In producing their guidebooks, Jerry and Gisela develop the trail information together, taking detailed notes and photographs while they hike. Jerry provides the human history information and writes; Gisela provides the natural history information and edits. JERRY ROHDE and his wife Gisela bring to this project more than 20 years of experience hiking their local trails and a dozen years of background in researching the area's human and natural history. They have previously co-authored three guidebooks to West Coast state and national parks: Humboldt Redwoods State Park: The Complete Guide; Redwood National and State Parks: Tales, Trails Auto Tours; and Mount Rainier National Park: Tales, Trails Auto Tours. Jerry also co-authored a guidebook to California's Highway 299, called Traveling the Trinity, also published by

MountainHome Books. Jerry is a home hospital teacher with the Eureka City Schools, and he is also an occasional instructor at Humboldt State University, teaching a course in "Humboldt Places" that is cross-listed in history, geography, and the Indian Teacher Education Program. He is a four-time president of the Humboldt County Historical Society, and he writes a quarterly column for its journal, the Humboldt Historian. In producing their guidebooks, Jerry and Gisela develop the trail information together, taking detailed notes and photographs while they hike. Jerry provides the human history information and writes; Gisela provides the natural history information and edits. For the past 10 years, Jerry and Gisela have frequently conducted lectures, slideshows, guided hikes, and tours related to human and natural history in the redwoods country, including presentations for the following organizations: Humboldt State University Natural History Museum, Humboldt State University Elderhostel, Humboldt Redwoods Interpretive Association, Humboldt County Historical Society, Humboldt County Library, California Native Plant Society, Sierra Club, Humboldt Botanical Garden Foundation, and the Center for Indian Community Development.