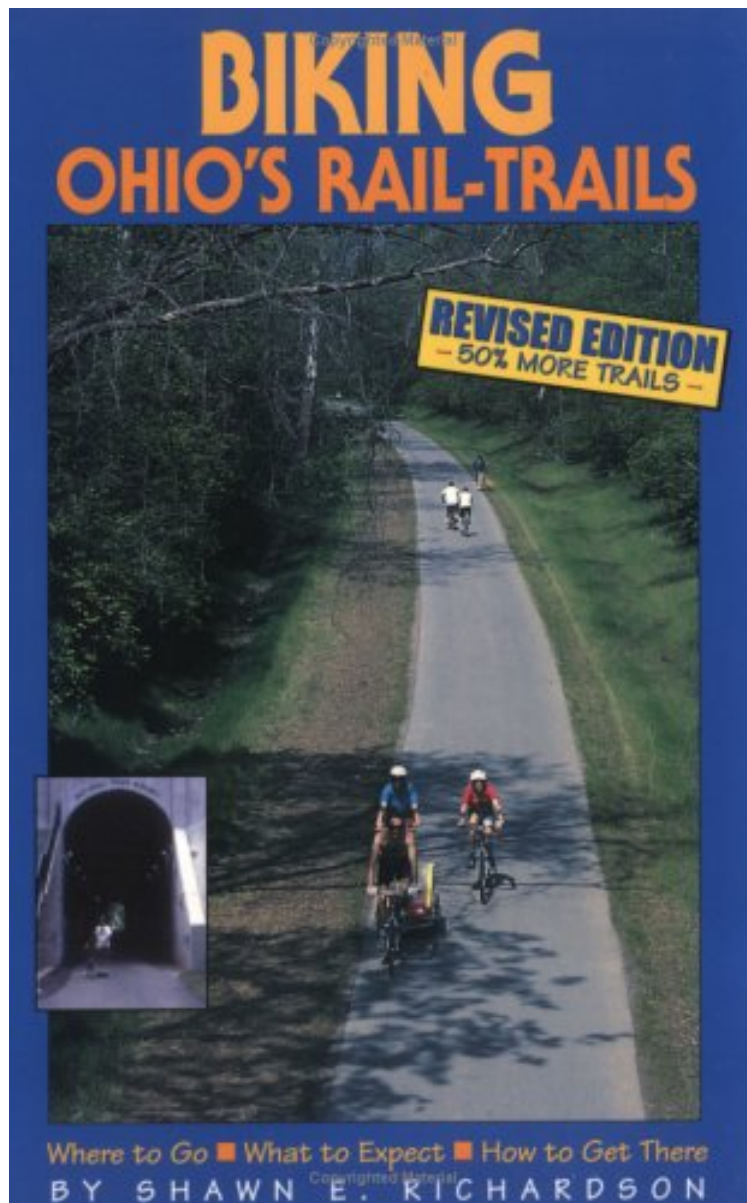


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An indispensable book for bikers, hikers, walkers, joggers and families who want to enjoy Ohio's trails.