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Beth Schwarzman : The Nature of Cape Cod before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Nature of Cape Cod:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Informative but need some background to use effectively as a nature guideBy Sebastian KnightThis book provides interesting background on Cape Cod, especially in terms of its geological formation and from a natural history perspective. The author, for example, provides a complete narrative of the likely geological formation of Cape Cod from the growth and recess of glaciers, the rise of moraines, and fresh water lakes. Also, she provides a very helpful background on the impact that settlers and subsequent generations had on the Cape's flora. I gave this book four stars, however, because I found it somewhat difficult to use as a nature guide for the new naturalist; some background in plant and animal identification would be helpful before using this as your primary guide. This book would be a nice companion to a guide that provides more information on plant/animal identification.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. this is the cc book to getBy jameshave a number of CC guide/nature books - we visit the cape once or twice a year - this is the only book we use -the others stay home - it's very strong for hikes, paddles etc - this is the one to get0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Stacey StrongPhenomenal trail book. I am a novice, and could follow the maps and advice in the book.

A well-known Cape naturalist, geologist, and public educator has written the first comprehensive natural history of the area, describing life and natural processes in its varied environments, from ocean beach to cranberry bog to deep

woods. The Nature of Cape Cod provides maps and narrative descriptions of 50 sites that invite exploration; it will take readers to hidden gems and reveal new aspects of favorite places. Generously illustrated with drawings and maps, the book can be used by anyone wanting to go beyond the paved roads: walkers, paddlers, and nature lovers of all sorts. It should appeal to year-round and seasonal residents alike, and also to the thousands of short-term visitors who wish they had a guide to the nature of Cape Cod.

"...an excellent guide to Cape Cod for anyone seeking to explore beyond the quaint towns and tourist shops." -- Northeastern Naturalist, Issue 9/2, 2002
"For Schwartzman, CapeCod's wild spots are one big classroom and she's eager to share her wisdom in a movable lecture." -- Cape Cod Times, October 11, 2002
"This is a useful field companion...-providing clearly drawn sketches, useful maps, and detailed descriptions of 50 sites. -- Sunday Boston Globe, July 14, 2002
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