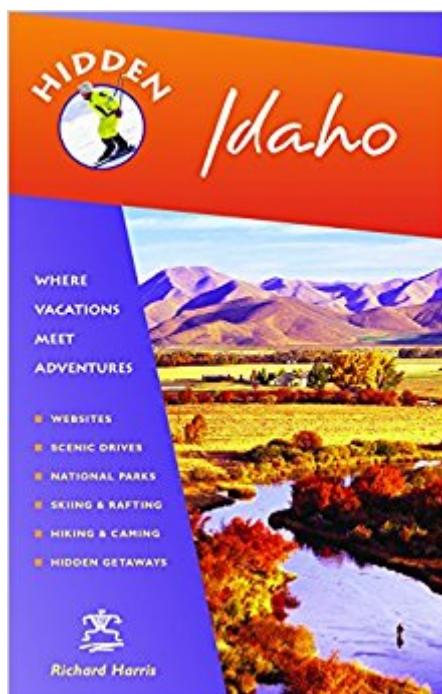


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# Hidden Idaho: Including Boise, Sun Valley, And Yellowstone National Park (Hidden Travel)



## **Synopsis**

Hidden guides combine unique travel choices, outdoor adventures and little-known locales into a guide where vacations meet adventures. Each guide includes detailed maps, complete internet information for each listing, highlighted author favorites, suggested itineraries and walking and driving tours. In Hidden Idaho, well-respected veteran travel writer Richard Harris balances coverage of Idaho's growing travel facilities, including dude ranches, alpine cabin rentals, and secluded fishing lodges, with extensive details on the state's many natural attractions. Truly two guides in one, Hidden Idaho serves as both a travel guide and an outdoor adventure handbook with full listings describing 53 parks, 29 wildlife-viewing spots, 25 trout streams, and 143 campgrounds. It reveals those uniquely Idaho spots, including 40 ski resorts and 10 hot springs plus 23 mom 'n' pop diners and 6 local wineries. Hidden Idaho also zeros in on the state's many out-of-the-ordinary sites like the Basque Museum and Cultural Center, the Swiss Village Cheese Factory, and the Oasis Bordello Museum.

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## **Customer Reviews**

At less than \$8 I was not terribly concerned about how good a guide book this would be. It is not bad though not great either for traveling in the state of Idaho. It has interesting historical information and is a quick read. I used it primarily to get an overview of the state as a whole. The tourist spots are noted and there is good information but you can find the same information at the state and local tourist organizations and chambers of commerce. The author in my view wastes space with

information on restaurants and lodging. I find it much more useful to use online sources like Yelp and Trip Advisor to find these sorts of places and read multiple reviews that reflect current conditions. At the price I would recommend buying the book but not relying on it exclusively either for trip planning or while traveling in Idaho.

Although it otherwise is an impressive and useful work, we were disappointed by lack of color photos.

I enjoy the "Hidden" series of travel guides and this one does not disappoint. It is both useful and entertaining and well worth purchasing. However, the last edition was 2004, so be sure and double-check any attractions beforehand to see if they are still open and located where they were seven years ago. Otherwise, you can go miles out of your way to discover a closed resteraunt or relocated park entrance.

This book was a fabulous guide to planning a family vacation. As it turned out, we followed a similar path as the one described in the book --across Idaho to Yellowstone. Advance plans included sites described in this book, and when we added activities, we always checked with the book first. It was never wrong. Using this book helped make our family trip (with three teenagers!) a fun adventure. Thanks Richard Harris for all your good research and tips!

I have used other books in this series and they never disappoint. There is far more here than you can do in any one vacation, but I like it for the full overview that you get of the entire state. Don't expect a lot of maps and directions, but do expect some neat "insider" tips and different travel recomendations.

This book is helpful. There are not a lot of Idaho-specific guidebooks, and this one is pretty comprehensive. One drawback is that it does not have any pictures. Idaho has some beautiful wilderness areas and a few pictures would greatly enhance this book.

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