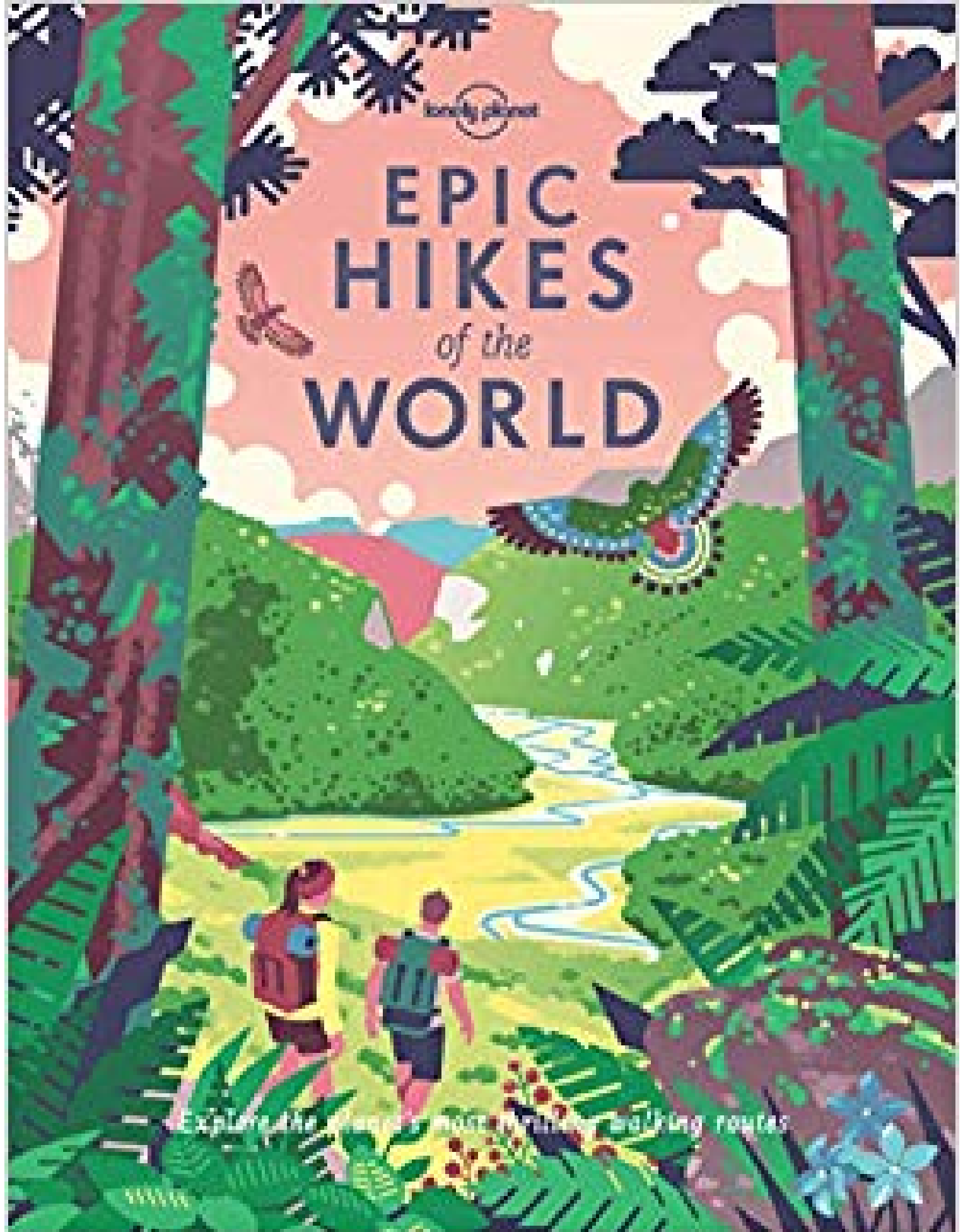




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With stories of 50 incredible hiking routes in 30 countries, from New Zealand to Peru, and also a further 150 recommendations, Lonely World's Epic Hikes of the World will inspire an eternity of adventure by walking. In this follow-up to Epic Bicycle Rides and Epic Drives, we talk about our adventures on the world's best treks and trails. From one-time jaunts and urban trails to month-lengthy thru-hikes, cultural rambles and mountain expeditions, each journey shares one defining feature: being truly epic. Epic Hikes is usually organised by continent, with each path brought to life by a first-person account, gorgeous photographs and captivating illustrated maps. In the last four decades, we've printed over 145 million guidebooks and grown a devoted, passionate global community of travellers. Hikes featured include: Africa & the center East: Cape City's Three Peaks (South Africa) Kilimanjaro (Tanzania) Camp to Camp in South Luangwa National Recreation area (Zambia) Americas: Angel's Landing, Zion National Recreation area (USA) Skyline Trail, Jasper National Park (Canada) Concepción volcano hike (Nicaragua) Asia: 88 Sacred Temples of Shikoku Pilgrimage (Japan) Markha Valley (India) Gubeikou to Jinshanling on the Great Wall (China) European countries: Wordsworth's Backyard: Dove Cottage and around Rydal and Grasmere (UK) Alpine Pass Route (Switzerland) Camino de Santiago (Spain) Oceania: Sydney's Seven Bridges Walk (Australia) The Routeburn Monitor (New Zealand) Kokoda Track (Papua New Guinea) About Lonely Planet: Lonely Planet is a respected travel media firm and the world's number one travel guidebook brand, providing both inspiring and trustworthy information for every sort of traveller since 1973. Additionally, each hike contains trip planning advice on how to get there, where you can stay, what things to pack and where you can eat, along with recommendations for three equivalent hikes in other regions of the globe. You'll also discover our content on-line, on mobile, video and in 14 languages, 12 international periodicals, armchair and life style books, ebooks, and even more.



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I'm not sure if it's generally on developed routes with good markers and safer countries (though a hike in Papua New Guinea is definitely in the list and that place has a horribly high criminal offense rate. Each hike starts with a first-hand account written by an official Lonely Planet explorer. I got this book as a gift for my fiancé and he adores it. It is equally interesting, educational, and beautiful to look at. The colours and the photos are extraordinary. It is becoming our primary coffee table book. Therefore many hikes to accomplish, so little time! "Epic Hikes" seems like a slide present from a vacationer rather than a sophisticated travelogue from an experienced guide. It has suggestions for hikes all over the world (though I was fairly disappointed to see none were in the stunning mountains of Central Asia--a hikers paradise! But I suppose with these kinds of books you can't make everyone content. Highlighting 30 hikes across the world, it is informative with gorgeous pictures.) and great descriptions of the hikes. It will also provide shorter descriptions on additional similar hikes sometimes in the same area (more Iceland hikes, for instance!) or by the same theme (Top of the Rocks) which are all over the place. the Middle East: Cape City's Three Peaks (South Africa) Kilimanjaro (Tanzania) Camp to Camp in South Luangwa National Park (Zambia) Americas: Angel's Landing, Zion National Park (USA) Skyline Trail, Jasper National Recreation area (Canada) Concepción volcano hike (Nicaragua) Asia: 88 Sacred Temples of Shikoku Pilgrimage (Japan) Markha Valley (India) Gubeikou to Jinshanling on the Great Wall (China) Europe: Wordsworth's Backyard: Dove Cottage and around Rydal and Grasmere (UK) Alpine Pass Path (Switzerland) Camino de Santiago (Spain) Oceania: Sydney's Seven Bridges Walk (Australia) The Routeburn Monitor (New Zealand) Kokoda Monitor (Papua New Guinea) Aside from being a direct for a few epic hikes, this might also make a great coffee table book. I like those additions. It doesn't fall closed by itself, but neither does it sit flat. There are some in Asia--plenty in China, one each in India, Nepal, Japan, and Malaysia. There exists a ton of trekking in Nepal and India! Just three in Africa, which is a genuine shame. none in Central Asia. Utterly stunning book.) But in general it's a great book. Some room for improvement substantively, but layout-sensible and everything, it's great. Can't wait to start out trying out some of these hikes! Scratching the top of an Interesting Topic A. There are no trail maps, just photos and text descriptions. You are likely to browse through the photos and find out about the trails that interest you, then research the exact hike details elsewhere. The book covers hikes from all over the world, broken down by broad geographical places. Many well-known hikes are still left off the list, perhaps intentionally to motivate you to learn about lesser known trails. Only the Table of Contents includes a symbol following to each hike indicating how tough it is. You can find only 3 hikes in Africa, 2 in SOUTH USA, and 9 in Asia. none of the trails are really remote, so foreign visitors shouldn't have difficulty accessing them. This publication should make a nice gift for somebody who loves hiking and traveling. Another gorgeous book from Lonely World. But not, state, a map showing where they are (despite the often intentionally obscure locations). Most of the hikes need a large amount of knowledge and prep, which is fine---but for me, this implies Epic Hikes is more of a "very and inspirational" book than an actual help. And I kinda think Lonely Planet knew that when writing this publication, because they actually acknowledge in the intro these hikes are challenging, challenging, and intended as a jumping off stage for future exploration. This is not said to be the world's 50 most magnificent hikes, but similar to the 50 hikes that inspired the Lonely World staff probably the most. Hikes presented are in Africa (3), the Americas (11), Asia (9), Europe (18), and Oceania (9). Since that is mainly an English-speaking company, a lot of the hikes are in North America, Europe, and Australia. Beautiful book would make a great gift for the avid hiker in your daily life This is an excellent book for those who want to hike or just dream of it. A great gift.) Lonely Planet has reasonable travel credibility. It covers plenty of interesting destinations, a lot of which I wasn't very acquainted with despite my intensive travels., start right here, bring this products, etc. Got it as a birthday gift for a friend, and she loved it. Additionally, there are plenty of beautiful pics with surprisingly detailed captions that explain a fair amount of history about geography, customs, local animals, etc. I discovered a lot by reading them. Ultimately, this is another coffee desk book in my own house. But I love it! I love the cover, the photos, and the information inside. It's been an excellent conversation starter with company--and even with my kids. Magnificent photos and ideas for fifty great hikes all over the world That is a book for you personally at home.g.I was super-excited to preview this reserve. But in-person, it feels like LP could have done a lot better. This feels as though a dated, but pleasant, throwback designed by someone who is definitely neither an old-school guidebook writer, nor familiar with modern content design. Beautiful and inspiring "Epic

Hikes of the Globe (Lonely World)" by Lonely Planet is usually a lovely and inspiring book. Rather, it looks a whole lot just like a hardback high-college textbook, albeit with a nicer cover. My one quibble is that most of the hikes are very focused on the developed world--Europe, Australia, New Zealand, USA, Canada. Inside, the text is small, there's lots of light space, and a significant dearth of "infographics". Don't put a number of height/distance numbers at the end of each blurb, make it a visible representation (also)! So In Summary. I'll be honest and say that I've no intention of heading on these hikes. Taking into consideration the subject material, I find it hard to go lower than 4 stars, but it feels as though Lonely Planet could possess focused much more on the reader's intended encounter. The days of attempting to pack as much information as possible in to the printed travel reserve are long past. This sort of book is meant for idly paging through, or for sharing with somebody with an identical passion-- since reference and research is probable all online. Epic hiking ahead A Lonely Planet guidebook combining two of the best activities: hiking and travel. Both for those who might go on these inspirational hikes, and the ones who are experiencing their armchair travel. For the previous folks, you will require maps and perhaps local manuals for these hikes. The publication does not have any maps, or information, and the only hints at troubles are in the table of contents. Still, it's a beautiful book and one that hopefully will launch folks on a bunch of trips and hikes in particular. It simply didn't whet my appetite very much. The hikes are overall less familiar if you ask me.) There's a significant variety right here, from walks across the Thames (and a page of "very similar urban hikes") to the Kokoda Trail crossing Globe War II battlefields in Papua New Guinea (and a page of "battlefield hikes"). The majority of the hikes are, actually if hard and requiring local manuals, not that far from founded routes and basecamp metropolitan areas. Hikes include: Africa & I wish that details had been included at the start of each hike section, but oh well. The book is arranged by continent and each route has initial person accounts, photos and maps. Trails range between day excursions to extended hikes, from coastal cliffs to mountain adventures. Beautiful Book Gorgeous cover. Doable on a tourist basis. Most of the hikes are very nature oriented, though there are a few in cities (Freedom trail in Boston or a hike through London or Hong Kong). Like any other Lonely Planet guide, that one is created well, very beneficial, and is visually pleasing. Lots of good info., and, last, a "SIMILAR TO This" section that discusses similar hikes you might enjoy, not always on the same continent. interesting assortment of hikes provided in a big large coffee table book This is a fascinating collection of 50 hikes from all over the world. First, the nice: 1. That's accompanied by a zoomed out map of the hike, a very short reality section on how best to tackle the hike and what things to expect (e. Right now, the Not-So-Good: 1.) A "greatest hikes" list is nearly difficult to flub, because you can find so many wonderful ones (it's impossible to do flawlessly for the same reason). 3.) The reserve is usually versatile, covering urban strolls up to epic treks. 4.) The reserve has nice photos (although their climate always looks good!). B. 2. I don't think it gives enough detail in what you should know before visiting a trail, especially for a beginner. 2.) Indeed, the book is too skimpy on trail descriptions themselves, relying instead on anecdotes peculiar to the observer's knowledge.) Most annoyingly, the book is as well skimpy on maps, seasonal descriptions, resources for additional investigation, etc. 3.) The book omits too many "great touches" that separate a good book from an excellent one — historical vignettes, regional hiking organizations, region-specific basic safety tips or cultural awareness, etc. (I had seen the drives publication in this series in a museum bookshop and nearly got it. Another example, there is a series of "identical idea" hikes by the end of every featured one... This is a lovely book! I thought I'd like it even more than I did so. It's Fine but I wouldn't buy a copy. As such, I'd expect a lay-flat or spiral binding.) It has beautiful pictures, maps of the hikes, a difficulty ranking, some fundamental stats (duration, etc. It creates a person desire to go and encounter each one. Whether a espresso table book or something to strategy an itinerary, this reserve is a looker.



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