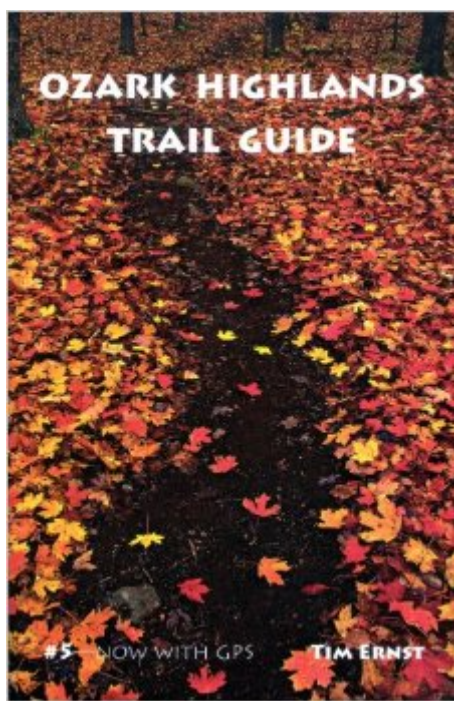


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# Ozark Highlands Trail Guide



## Synopsis

This is the bible for OHT hikers. There is a complete mile-by-mile description of this 165-mile trail, which has been rated as one of the Top-Ten hiking trails in the United States. The book has eight maps and elevation profiles, nine mileage logs, information on campgrounds, trailhead parking areas, hunting and fishing, scenic spots, historical features, a month-by-month weather guide, plus lots of info that you'll need to hike this wonderful trail. Now includes separate maps and complete descriptions of five connecting trails too, PLUS a map and complete description of the newest section of the OHT - the Sylamore Section, a 31-mile stretch that was constructed in early 2003. The foreword was written by former Senator Dale Bumpers. The book itself was written by Tim Ernst, who has been involved with the trail project since its beginning.

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## Customer Reviews

Be sure you've looked at this book before you make plans to hit the Ozark Highlands Trail. It helps with planning for the trip, with detailed mileage, ratings, etc. On the trail I kept it within easy reach the whole trip. Great detailing and gives info on the things worth seeing \*off\* the trail, as well, a real plus. Gives mileage as to how far off the trail a waterfall is, etc. OHT Bible, indeed!

If you want to get the most out of your Ozark Highlands Trail experience then you need to make sure you have a copy of this book. Written by the man who started it all it is the authoritative and only guide book for the OHT. I have hiked the entire 165-mile trek the last 2 consecutive seasons and I still would not want to be on the trail without it.

Summer 2002 my fiancée and I hiked the OHT and made all plans after referring to this trail guide. We had never been to AR before and enjoyed the OHT. This guide was indispensable.

We used this book to prep for a scout 50 mile backpacking trip. It has good detail and we referred to it frequently during our expedition from Ozone Campground to Moore CCC camp (which then morphed into a combination of backpacking and van supported day hikes due to the heat). This is a strenuous trail. I subtract one star because you really need to get more detailed maps to find some of the trail heads.

It's a shame that the time, effort, and talent that went into writing this guide--which I do not hesitate in calling the finest trail guide I've ever read--is wasted because of the state of Arkansas's incredible negligence in upkeeping the trail. I tried to hike the eastern-most part (40 miles +) of the trail in May 2012 and it was impossible. You'll find yourself wading through shoulder-high blackberry thorns and collecting (no exaggeration, I counted) over 200 ticks per mile. The trail is utterly derelict--you'd be better off picking a random line straight through the woods and following your compass. The guide, however, is excellent, and I hope it's more useful on the western parts of the trail.

Haven't had a chance to hit the trail with this book yet, but going in a few months. The information in this book is excellent compared to what I can find on the internet and has really helped me plan out my first back country trip with my kids. Thanks!

Full of practical advice. The overview maps and detail maps are nicely done for a book this size. There's a lot of useful detailed information, but it is well organized making it easy to find the information you need. It is also small enough to take with you on the trail without adding significant weight to your backpack.

I would liked a lower price. I feel \$15 would be a better price point. Ernst added helpful hints through this edition and some GPS coordinates. Both, good ideas. As usual, the guide has a through discription of the trail.

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