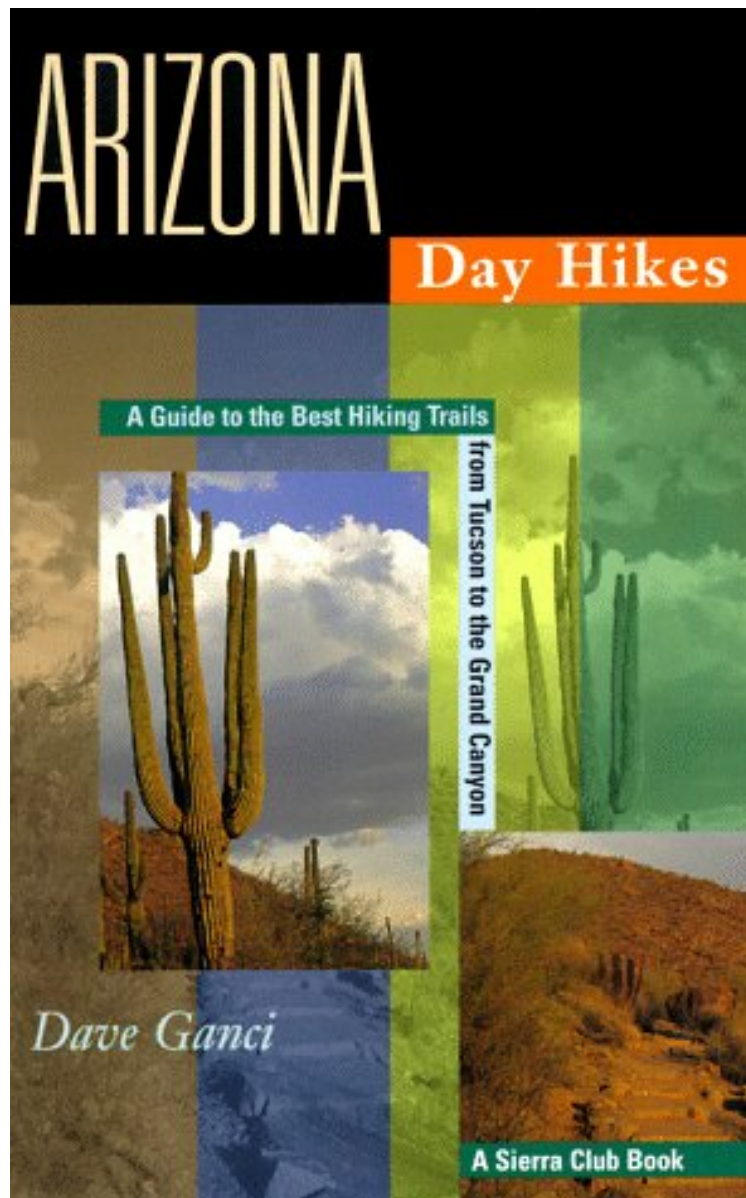


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"Arizona Day Hikes" is two books in one: a hiking guide featuring 100 of Arizona's best hiking trails and an authoritative guide to the natural history of the Grand Canyon State's landscape. Dave Ganci provides a comprehensive overview of Arizona's three natural 'provinces' - the Southern Deserts, the Central Mountains, and the Northern Canyons and Mesas - and shows the reader how to take a naturalist's approach to exploring scenic wonders. His knowledgeable discussions of landscapes, native species, and local conditions, accompanied by thirty line drawings, help hikers learn to identify and appreciate each region's geology, weather, plants, and animal life. Along the way, he teaches the best techniques for day-hiking and shows how the entire family can travel and enjoy each hike to the fullest. Trail descriptions are graded for difficulty and organized geographically, from the Tucson and Phoenix areas to regions surrounding Prescott and Flagstaff. Also included are hikes starting at both rims of the Grand Canyon. The trails profiled here range from a half-hour to several hours in length, and all are easily accessible by car, making "Arizona Day Hikes" a passport to some of the most rewarding hiking opportunities in the American West.

About the Author Dave Ganci is a writer, photographer, outdoorsman and a former director of the Arizona Outdoor Institute. His previous books include Hiking the Southwest and Desert Hiking. He lives in Prescott, Arizona.