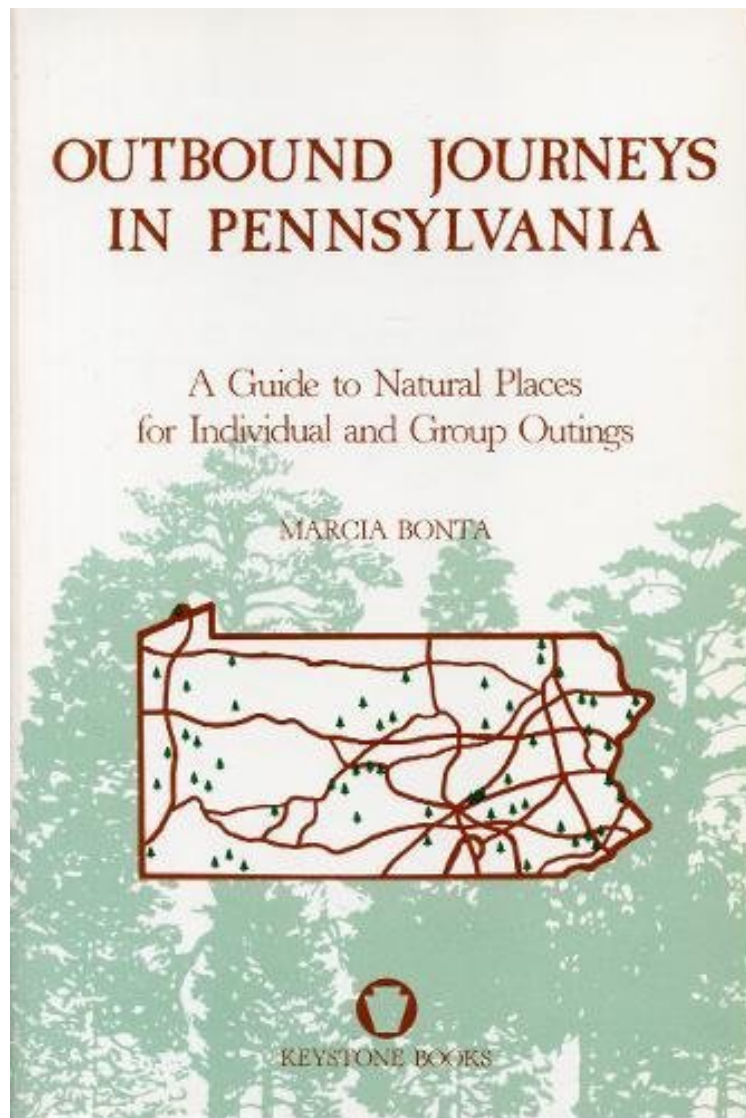


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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. addition to my reference libraryBy gmcdAlthough not a 'hiking' book, i.e. Tom Thwaites series, this volume earns a place in my nature library. Chock-full of remote natural areas in PA, along with their individual attractions.....flora or fauna, the book entices one to visit each and every listing. Never knew there was a hillside in PA where 200+ trilliums bloom in the Spring! These locations are spread across the state, some on privately-owned property accessible to the public, some on county or state lands. Once at your destination, most of the walks are relatively short, certainly not lengthy day hikes. Road directions are easy to follow. Mileage of walks is provided, along with exceptional descriptions!

An informative guidebook describing fifty-five outstanding natural places throughout Pennsylvania, featuring the virgin forests, spectacular waterfalls, rare botanical localities, and unusual geological formations that make the Keystone State a favorite locale for outdoor enthusiasts. Most of the areas are easily accessible from the major population centers of the state. The book is divided into three sections Eastern, Central, and Western Pennsylvania and covers unique natural features in such places as state parks, state forest natural areas, private nature sanctuaries county parks, environmental education centers, a National Wildlife Refuge and a National Forest. Each chapter discusses the flora and fauna of the place as well as what makes it special. Included are precise directions on how to reach each area from the nearest city, a description of the best trails to follow, telephone numbers, addresses, hours, availability of group tours, and admission charges (if any). Aimed at a broad audience of naturalists, families, and groups of all kinds, this book will also interest birdwatchers, hikers, campers, fishermen, and wildflower and plant enthusiasts. In fact, anyone who is interested in outdoor Pennsylvania will be able to use this book to discover and enjoy the natural beauty of the Keystone State.

From the Back CoverA guide to natural places for individual and group outings. About the Author Marcia Bonta received her BA in history and English from Bucknell University. In addition to her weekly nature column for the Altoona Mirror and a series on Pennsylvania natural places for Pennsylvania Wildlife and Outdoor Digest, her work has appeared in American Horticulturist, Americas, Bird Watchers Digest, The Conservationist, Pennsylvania Game News, and Pennsylvania Heritage. She is also the author of Escape to the Mountain: A Family's Adventures in the Wilderness.