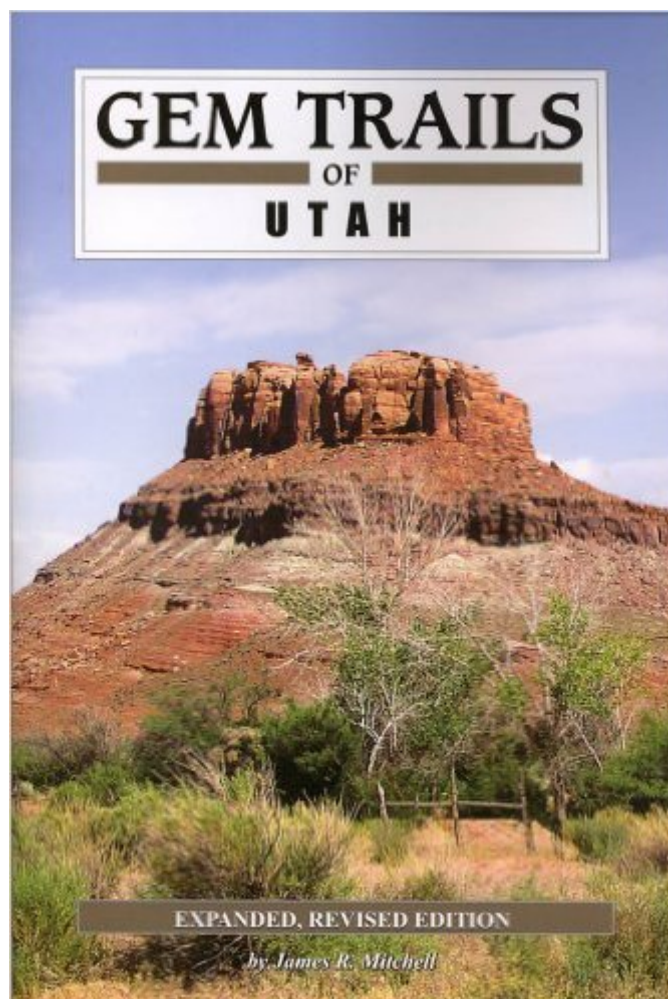# The book was found

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Synopsis

Updated and expanded, this classic best-seller for Utah rock, mineral and fossil collectors is filled with expert advice gleaned from years of experience. Detailed text and maps lead the gem and fossil hunter to abandoned mine dumps, desert terrain, deep canyons, pristine mountains and beautiful lakes in the search for specimens. Black and white photos highlight the collecting areas. A color photo section aids in specimen identification, and a Mineral Locator Index helps to plan a successful collecting trip.

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Customer Reviews

We purchased this book, and also the Gem Trails Arizona book for our recent vacation to Utah and Arizona. Some of the sites were easily found. Unfortunately for us (and I'm very good at map reading) we felt that the book needed updating and correcting. Some of the maps are very hard to understand, as it seems they were drawn from memory rather than actually looking at the site and marking the directions. We were mostly in Region III and Region IV mentioned in the book. Some examples:Region III/Agate Hill: We did find nice specimens here, easy to get to wtih our Toyota Highlander. You are not seeing Bryce Canyon in the distance tho as the book suggests. It is miles away, and you are looking at Red Rock Canyon NP.Region III/Cainville: Area was okay for selenite only in our opinion.Region IV/Potash Road: This is where the map was lacking. After you reach the end of the paved road, you need to continue straight on along the river. You can turn to the right to the Potash Mining Company's property. We met a very nice man up there who has seen dozens of these books and had to turn people away because they were led in the wrong direction. He has

lived in the area his whole life and told us to try going up the river and looking. We followed the gravel road to the end where there is a boat launch site, a pit toilet of sorts and a lot of fallen boulders. It is in the area where the boulders are next to the parking lot you can hammer away at some fossil bearing rocks. There are a few large weathered specimens on the ground but unless you have a backhoe and permit, I think it's better to leave those for everyone's enjoyment.

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