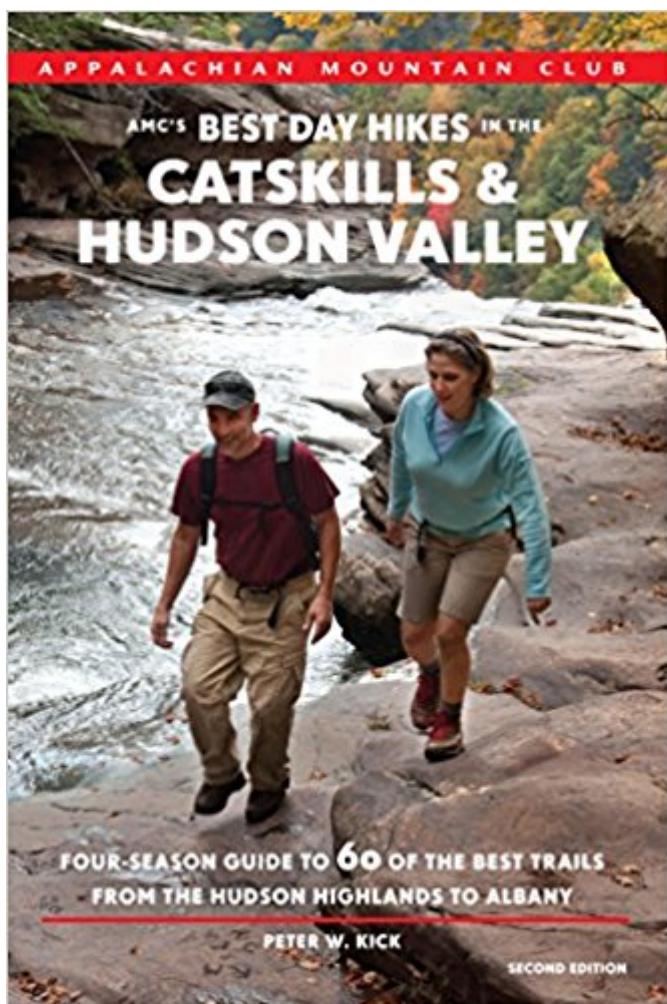


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# AMC's Best Day Hikes In The Catskills And Hudson Valley, 2nd: Four-Season Guide To 60 Of The Best Trails From The Hudson Highlands To Albany





## **Synopsis**

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kids, and for winter snowshoeing and skiing. Inside You'll Find:60 hikes ideal for hikers of all ability levels GPS coordinates to all trailheads Locator Map and "At-a-Glance Trip Planner" for easy planning Detailed maps showing parking areas, trails, and natural highlights Summaries of time, distance, and difficulty level for each trail Hiking and safety tips, including advice on what to carry in your pack Essays on the flora, fauna, and historic landmarks of the region

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LOVE this book. I was recently re-introduced to hiking (hiked when I was at summer camp many years ago) and I'm addicted. I even "forced" my family from the city to go hiking and they're just as committed to it as well. This book is very well detailed, and it gives you great information about the location of the trail, difficulty, markers, and views. If you want a good book for the lower NYS area for hiking, then I definitely recommend this.

Great hikes around the hudson valley. Product was as described and arrived on time.

The Catskills lie about one hundred miles from my home, and I've never been there, spending my summer hiking time farther north in the Adirondacks mostly. I wanted to explore something new, and being hobbled by a bad knee, I have to be a bit selective, and rough hikes are in my past. This looks to be a pretty nice guide, lots of info and details that will hopefully make trail selections less guesswork. Points of interest, waterfalls, peaks all noted as well as trail head locations, mileages and fairly detailed maps make this a fine looking and very useful guide. When visiting a new area, maybe even indispensable....Will update later with any pros/cons...

gift for son!! he loves it and I can't wait to go on some of the hikes

Well put together guide to hiking the Catskills and Hudson Valley. Includes directions and detailed descriptions. May be the only guide you need...

Good book with a lot of hiking options for different levels of hiking experience. But just know that the

book doesn't list all the route options for each hike (obviously, or else the book would be a LOT longer than it is) but if a hike interests you but you think it might be too tough for you, search it online for other trail routes. For instance, they have Breakneck Ridge to South Mt. Beacon all in one hike and it is 9 miles. I'm not used to longer distances, so I didn't even give this hike a second look at first until I realize I can do them in two separate hikes. I did a shorter roughly 3mile hike at Breakneck, and another day did Mt Beacon to the fire tower which was about 4.4 miles. Seems like common sense now that I'm saying it, but as soon as I saw the mileage on some of them I flipped to the next page without even reading about it.

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Great!!!

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