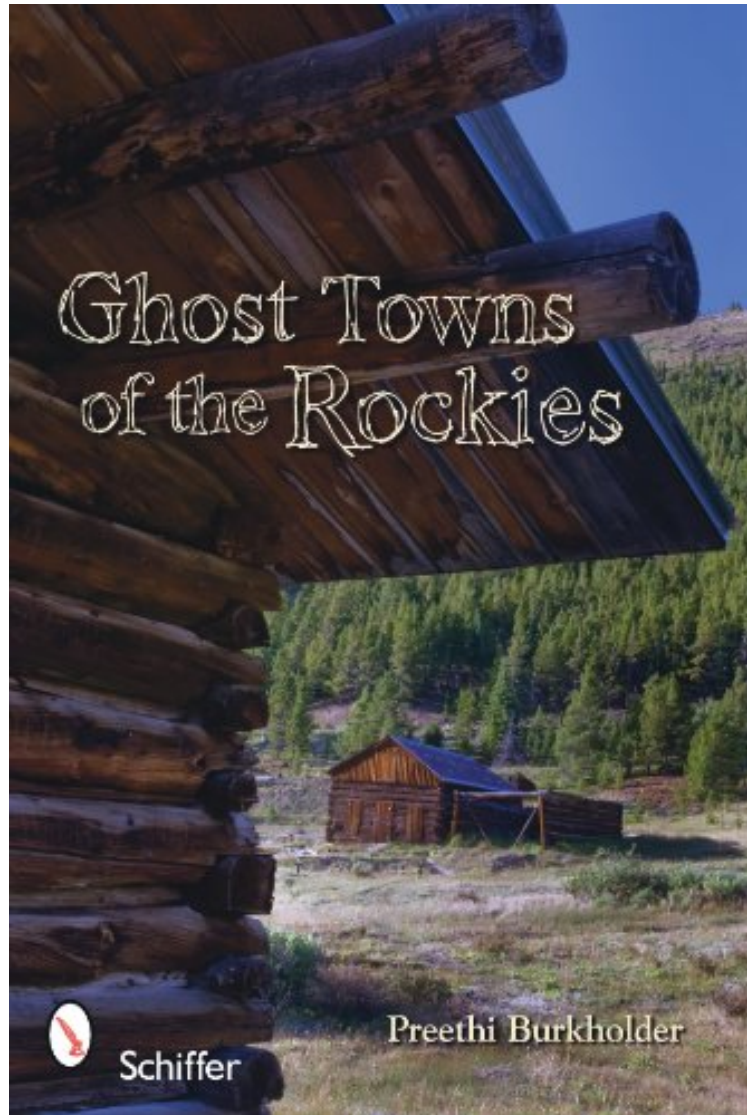


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you want to visit all the places listed in the book. It is small and light, and therefore, you can carry it when you are traveling somewhere. The stories are intriguing, like that of Horace Tabor, the Leadville silver mogul, who lost his fortune in the silver panic, and died a pauper, shoveling dirt. At his prime, he was the fifth richest man in the country. Some stories are spooky, like that of Annabelle Stark, who is still believed to haunt the hotel in St. Elmo, Colorado. This excellent resource covers ghost towns in Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico, and Arizona. Preethi Burkholder brings out the important role played by miners during the early building of America and renews our admiration for miners. The introduction gives an insight into how quickly the tide can change in any economy and how even the most successful of towns can lose their fortune. The price of the book is quite reasonable and worth it. "Ghost Towns of the Rockies" has a long shelf life. I highly recommend this travel book. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A great guide for Ghost Towns! By Sheila H Preethi Burkholder has done a fantastic job with her latest book "Ghost Towns of the Rockies." It is great as a travel guide and is a useful resource for anyone planning a ghost town tour in the Rocky Mountain states. For those living outside of the Rocky Mountain region, this is an excellent resource and an interesting read. It is one of those books that is hard to close once you start reading a chapter. Preethi Burkholder certainly has a way of creating that sense of momentum within the reader. Some towns are illustrated with photographs, which removes the monotony of continuous text. Each chapter has a "Juicy Piece of History" which gives an interesting tale of something that happened in that town. This is also an excellent storytelling book. Anyone wanting to read interesting tales to kids or a loved one who is no longer able to read due to aging issues, this makes a wonderful resource. Also contains well thought out and intelligent information, such as the silver panic of 1893, which crashed the economy and plunged the Rocky Mountain states into a depression, thus closing banks across the country. This book is highly recommended for anyone who loves to read or wants to escape the monotony of the daily humdrum existence

Rocky Mountain ghost towns are filled with chilling, but captivating stories. Horace Tabor (in 1879) was said to be the fifth richest man in the United States; he wore night shirts with diamond-studded buttons. But in the silver panic of 1893, Tabor lost his fortune and was reduced to working for sixty-five cents a day at the time of his death. South Pass City, Wyoming, was the home of the women's suffrage movement. It was here that the first woman was sworn to a political office. The Carissa Mine poured millions of dollars into South Pass and by 1873 there were 4,000 residents it was a bustling place. Today, South Pass lies abandoned and desolate, with less than seven residents living year round. Read about Annabelle Stark, of St. Elmo, Colorado, a local who still is believed to haunt the hotel. Olive Oatman was captured by Indians near Gila Bend, Arizona, and held in captivity for years before her brother found her. This is a handy guide of rags-to-riches stories and silent hardships. The ghost towns depicted appeal to travelers, archeologists, artists, historians, anthropologists, and individuals from all walks of life.

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