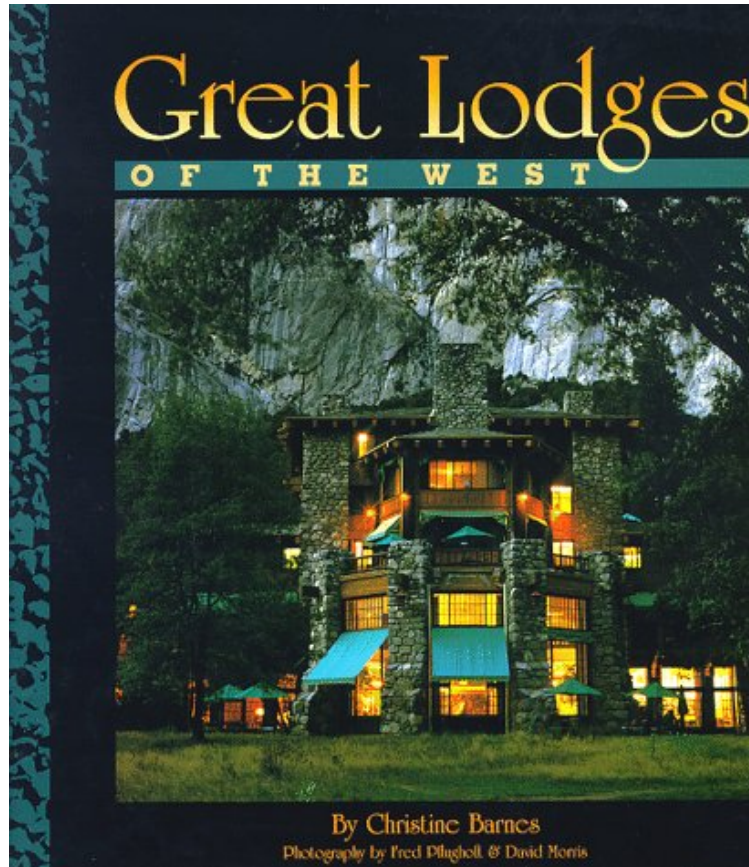


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Christine Barnes : Great Lodges of the West before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Great Lodges of the West:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A book that drew me in.By JoAnn DThis book is in a coffee shop down the street from where I live. I picked it up to look at as I relaxed over a cup of coffee. I was soon drawn in. Each lodge has its own story . . . the author, Christina Barnes' way of presenting facts information about how each happened, the landscape, the architect, the architecture all makes me want to personally visit them all. The only one I've been to is The Ahwahnee of Yosemite National Park. Not as an overnight guest, but after an outdoors photo class I stopped in to have a cup of coffee in the dining room. That was 15 years ago the memory of the outside inside, relaxing over a cup of coffee in the dining room, are still strong in my memory. A grand lodge that somehow fits perfectly inside a park with awesome, powerful natural beauty.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I enjoy my bookBy Barbara J. HarveyThis was a gift for my physical therapist. I enjoy my book, and have checked off most of the lodges.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy tghGreat pictures with plenty of interesting background information. Great compliment to TV series.

There are hundreds of lodges, inns and hotels in America's West, but only a handful of historic Great Lodges. Great Lodges were constructed in the Western United States from the turn of the century through the 1930s. Today, they offer more than just a place to stay, but an opportunity to relive the past. Through stunning color photographs, historical pictures, rare architectural drawings and a well-documented text, *Great Lodges of the West* uncovers the story of twelve of the West's most significant historical lodges. National Parks, Forests and Monuments are hosts to most of these wilderness landmarks. The book opens with the first (and some feel the finest) Great Lodge of the West, Old Faithful Inn in Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming. Four lodges in the Northwest are featured including Paradise Inn, Mount Rainier National Park, Washington, and Oregon's Timberline Lodge, Mount Hood National Forest; Oregon Caves Chateau, Oregon Caves National Monument; and Crater Lake Lodge, Crater Lake National Park. The canyon land lodges, El Tovar, Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona, and Bryce Canyon Lodge, Bryce Canyon National Park, Utah, are architectural treasures of the southwest. Tour the most elegant of our National Park landmarks, The Ahwahnee in Yosemite National Park, California, as well as the chalet-inspired lodges in the Glacier National Park region: Glacier Park Lodge, Lake McDonald Lodge, Many Glacier Hotel, and the whimsical Prince of Wales Hotel in adjoining Waterton Lakes National Park, Canada. In the foreword, National Trust for Historic Preservation President Richard Moe captures the heart of the story, *Great Lodges of the West* reminds us that America's scenic wonderlands, best known for their mountains, canyons, geysers and waterfalls, are also dotted with the brick andboard evidence of our nation's history. These buildings are a part of the American soul. Yes, America loves their Great Lodges. They house not only the political, social, and architectural history of our national past, but thousands of individual memories. That's what is so important about preserving the Great Lodges of the West. While some have been blessed with extensive rehabilitation, others are aging less gracefully. The National Trust for Historic Preservation has placed the splendid Many Glacier Hotel on its Most Endangered list of historic structures and Paradise Inn, the 81- year-old inn at Mount Rainier National Park, is in need of millions of dollars of rehabilitation work. Yet, the grandeur of these structures always overshadows the tracks of time. *Great Lodges of the West* is being received with enthusiasm and praise: Old Faithful Inn is the first lodge featured in *Great Lodges of the West*. The Inn is as much a part of Yellowstone National Park as the geyser it is named after. The author covers its history and architecture and brings to life a much loved landmark. Lee Whittlesey, Park Historian, Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming Christine Barnes has pulled together some little known history about the historic lodges of Glacier National Park and the region, then spun a story history buffs and park visitors will truly enjoy. Historic photos from the park archives along with architectural drawings and color photography makes *Great Lodges of the West* both informative to read and beautiful to look at. Deirdre Shaw, Curator, Glacier National Park, Montana *Great Lodges of the West* tells the important story of Oregon's Crater Lake Lodge. Christine Barnes informs the reader of a Lodge built on naive optimism, its deterioration, and the real threat of demolition. She then illustrates how the Lodge's rebirth is evidence of what citizens can accomplish when they value their architectural heritage. David Wark, Historic Architect, Crater Lake Lodge rehabilitation project

From Library Journal Travel writer Barnes has done an outstanding job of capturing a moment in the history of our national parks when architects, builders, artists, and even park officials dreamed big but knew there was no way they could surpass the natural beauty surrounding their edifices. The author brings to life the grandeur and majesty of archaic lodges such as the Ahwahnee Hotel in Yosemite; Prince of Wales Lodge in Waterton, Canada; and Old Faithful Lodge in Yellowstone. Readers planning trips to the eight parks, one national forest, and one national monument presented here will want to bring along a copy of this book. They will be reading about the legacy of a bygone era and of the masterpieces by often unknown architects that have survived the ravages of time, weather, and government. Highly recommended. ?Joseph L. Carlson, Vandenberg AFB Lib., Cal. Copyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc. *Great Lodges of the West* by Christine Barnes (W.W. West Inc., \$29.95) takes a glossy, large-format look at a dozen historic lodges that could be considered the castles of western North America. Most are in national parks, and their beauty is surpassed only by their stunning settings. Featuring wonderful color photography by Fred Pflughoft and David Morris, plus historical black-and-white photos, drawings and architectural plans, the book tantalizes with its visions of these wilderness lodges, many designated National Historic Landmarks and some in need of extensive restoration. -- "Book trip: Lodges of beauty", by Deirdre R. Schwiesow, USA Today, Friday, September 12, 1997, 8-D If it's not too early to think about the holidays, here is a gift book to dazzle any national park traveler. Included are some historical photographs, but the heart of this coffee-table volume is its contemporary color illustrations of the old and romantic park lodges of the Western U.S. and Canada. I notice that all the modern photographs show our parks without crowds of people in ball caps and plaid shorts -- perhaps the most romantic notion of all. -- "Books to Go", by John Balzar, Los Angeles Times, Sunday, Sept. 14, 1997, L8 What a dream book! Just flipping through the 136 pages in this oversize book with its beautiful color photographs removed my weary mind from its focus on the office computer. Written by Christine Barnes, former features editor of the San Francisco Examiner, and photographed by Fred Pflughoft and David Morris, the \$29 book published by W.W. West Inc. opens with a warm picture of the fireplace in the lobby of Timberline Lodge in Mount Hood National Forest in Oregon and

with a two-page photo of El Tovar overlooking Arizona's Grand Canyon at sunset. Looking at the pictures of 12 historic lodges, all built between 1904 and 1938, all in spectacular settings, reminded me again of why I vastly prefer gracious old hotels to glamorous new ones. -- "Good Reading", by Millie Ball, The Times-Picayune, Sunday, October 12, 1997, D-2

From the Author

Great Lodges of the West began as a simple weekend trip to Oregon's "new" Crater Lake Lodge. It ended with this volume covering twelve of the best examples of the West's "wilderness" architecture. Eight lodges are in National Parks, one in a National Monument, one in a National Forest, one on ceded Indian reservation land, and one across the U.S. border in Parks Canada -- they are all national treasures. The lodges were selected for their historic and architectural significance with the guidance of National Park Service (NPS) historical architects. As my research and travel evolved, two things stood out. First, that the National Parks and the National Park Service happened at all seems miraculous, and second, that even under the worst of circumstances, architects, building and railroad crews, masons and carpenters, landscape designers, businessmen and local boosters never gave up. Structures collapsed during winter storms, roads turned into bogs as wagons loaded with supplies sank into the mud; wind blew buildings out of plumb; financing vanished and the desolate locations made every ordinary phase of construction an obstacle. Yet, when completed, the lodges were beyond shelters; they were monuments to the wilds of the West and the perseverance of the men and women who created them. Each lodge holds stories nailed in every board foot, dreams secured in stone and mortar and memories found in hand-carved details. The architecture and engineering of each lodge featured in Great Lodges of the West is spectacular. Yet, it is the detail -- the forged ironwork, notched and joined massive timbers, stonework and handmade furniture-- that makes these lodges part of our history. Some suffer from the ravages of winter climates and may be a bit threadbare, but the grandeur of each building overshadows the tracks of time.