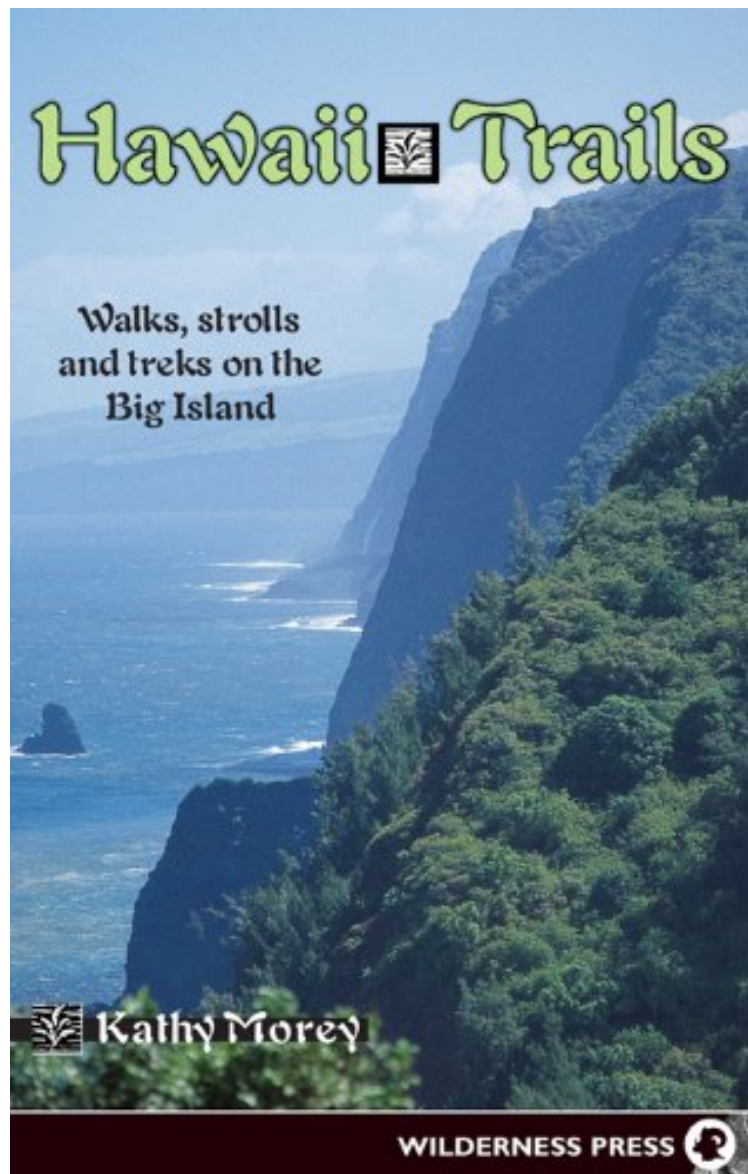


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Kathy Morey : Hawaii Trails: Walks Strolls and Treks on the Big Island (Hawaii Trails: Walks, Strolls Treks on the Big Island) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Hawaii Trails: Walks Strolls and Treks on the Big Island (Hawaii Trails: Walks, Strolls Treks on the Big Island):

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It's got a few flaws, but this is the best hiking guide I could find for the Big Island. The author lays out 58 easy to tough hikes organized geographically. Each is clearly presented with consistent summary information and the text is generally well written. You can tell Morey has done most, if not all, of them. There is also a pleasant balance of information on everything from the Hawaiian language to local historic events. While she's opinionated at times, she lets you know that she's giving her opinion. As for improvements, the guide could use more detailed maps (many hikes have no map) and, I fear, will age too quickly given changes in roads, lava flows, and restrictions on 4WD vehicles. I'm not sure she can do much about the latter except keep putting out new editions.
By the way, everyone, including Morey, says the Kilauea Iki hike (#28 in the book) is the best on the island, I don't know about that but it is a darn good hike. Combine it with Thurston Lava Tube (#29) and that is a couple hours you'll remember for a very long time.

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