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Pete Trabucco : America's Top Roller Coasters and Amusement Parks before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised America's Top Roller Coasters and Amusement Parks:

29 of 33 people found the following review helpful. For novices only. Enthusiasts...save your money. Very poor. By Allan Reid This is easily one of the very worst roller coaster books ever written. It reeks of more inaccuracies than a true enthusiast could even count. The author clearly failed to do even a modicum of research on either the coasters or the parks. Be warned...you may need an aspirin or 2 to get through this book. Just a sampling of some of the infuriating errors are as follows: pg 10 refers to a new hydraulic mega coaster named "Top Speed Dragster." It then reads "see above picture" which actually is of Superman Ride of Steel (now Bizarro) at Six Flags New England. pg 15 claims that Boulder Dash is located in Massachusetts (I was just on it last week and could swear we were in Connecticut!) pg 43 refers to the new mouse at Six Flgs in New Jersey but it is not called Batman The Dark Knight. That name still belongs to a floorless coaster in New England. At least the author has some awareness of 2 changes in 2008, that the new mouse did arrive in New Jersey and Magic Mountain's X became X2 after a huge "rehab." This makes it even more bizarre that Mr Trabucco is so clueless as to a huge number of errors from years prior to 2008 that all informed enthusiasts are aware of, such as: pg 44 photo clearly shows the New England floorless noted above but is improperly titled "Batman The Knight Flight." pg 46 refers to the world's largest coaster club as "America's Coaster Enthusiasts." As a member of the club, Mr Trabucco probably should know the club's correct name. Shameful. pg 58 "One of the best dual track LIM coasters can be found at Six Flags New Jersey under the name Batman and Robin The Chiller." Good luck finding it as it was torn down in 2007. pg 58 also blunders with the statement "you can find another floorless beauty at Six Flags Ohio (name was changed in 2000 to Geauga Lake) under the name Batman Knight Flight (name changed to Dominator in 2003). pg 59 a bold large print section titled "Hyper/Gigi Coasters" No such thing as a gigi coaster...close, but no cigar. pg 64 tells us all that Six Flags Great America is located in St Louis. Um...that would be in Chicago. On pgs 65 and 66, Mr Trabucco wants you to believe you can ride a Boomerang at Six Flags Worlds of Adventure (new name in 2003 AND the coaster was moved to another park anyway) and also that

Vekoma SLC's can be found at Six Flags Darien Lake (name changed in 2006) and also at Six Flags Astroworld (boy, the poor folks in Houston must have fooled into thinking their park was destroyed 4 years ago) pg 69 claims there is a Wildcat named Die Wildcatz at Busch Gardens Williamsburg...well per the accurate stats of the revered site Roller Coaster Database, that coaster actually closed in 1983! Hope that aspirin has kicked in by now for you. pg 69 continues with another Trabucco gem..."Python at Busch Gardens Tampa is one of the best corkscrew coasters still in operation today." Really? Pretty sure it was closed in 2006. pg 79 and amazingly on several other pages in this book refers to the non existant coaster manufacturer "Interman AG." This is especially pathetic as Trabucco states his favorite coaster is Millennium Force but doesn't know the manufacturer is actually Intamin. C'mon, Pete, its the same flippin' maker of that Top Speed Dragster you identified with the Superman photo!! Unbelievable. pg 84 lists "Gripton" at Busch Williamsburg. pg 90 notes the current world record holder for both speed and height as New Jersey's Kinda Ka but falsely states it was made by BM. The author is so found of "Interman", I can't see how he missed this opportunity to credit another coaster to them. There are a number of errors related to actually naming some of the elements in the coasters but by this point...who cares! One last beef with this book happens on pg 112 where the author actually encourages riders on Kraken "with long legs to try to touch the seat in front of you." This is despicable and irresponsible. Mr Trabucco is actually condoning behavior that is prohibited by the ride manufacturer (for safety) and also the parks. I'm sure both BM and Sea World will be just thrilled to know this enthusiast/author is promoting unsafe riding practices. Real classy. Sounds like a lawsuit just waiting. Of course, a shattered leg would occur first. As both an enthusiast myself, and also being a Registered Nurse, I've got a huge problem with this imbecile. One more thing folks. The book is so cheaply bound, that it WILL fall apart and pages WILL fall out. Save your money. This is as bad as coaster books get, and on so many levels. 1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. My son loved the book. It came with a signed autograph from the author which is a plus (didn't know when I ordered it). My son wants to be a civil engineer and build roller coasters so I'm always looking for any books that may spark his imagination. I would definitely buy it for him again. 14 of 18 people found the following review helpful. Folks...Please listen to the 1st reviewer...the book is Very BAD! By P. A. Rich, Jr. Well, the first reviewer has covered all things. This book has many, many errors regarding coasters, their manufacturers, their locations, and even their names. Don't waste your money. I paid ~\$20 when it first came along and now it is selling for ~\$30. I have already sent it back for a refund. Worst of all, about 50 of the pages had begun to fall out after 1 week or so. Thus, both the author and publisher need to get their acts together. To the author...never, Never, NEVER publish material without doing your research first...especially when it comes to rollercoasters. There are so many of us who know so much more about this subject matter than you, and you (or the publisher) are trying to make a quick buck or two because you simply RIDE rollercoasters. This should be illegal! Do your research FIRST and try again...maybe then your 2nd edition book (if you pursue this) will do better.

So what's it like to ride the best roller coaster in the country? Roller coaster enthusiast Pete Trabucco, a pilot and freelance writer, has ridden hundreds of top roller coasters around the nation. Pete takes the reader behind the scenes and presents a free e-ticket ride to the best amusement parks and roller coasters on the planet. He also has included tips for those (like himself) who once feared these mega monsters of the midway. With thousands of new gravity-defying contraptions across the nation, and more cropping up every day, roller coasters and thrill rides truly are the driving force behind any amusement park, and in most cases are the sole basis of that amusement park's very existence. Inside these pages, you will see the best of the best roller coasters around the country and get an inside look at why this billion-dollar business attracts almost 100 million people a year to its gates. Over the years, Pete has traveled around the country (as well as internationally) in the hectic world of corporate aviation. Since he is often on the road, he has acquired a peculiar hobby of checking out the local amusement parks in the areas he visits. When he is not visiting Fortune 500 companies or writing for several national aviation magazines, you will most likely find him at the local amusement park, soaking up the fun and excitement with his family, friends, and even clients. With over 300 top roller coasters ridden around the country, he has a story to tell.