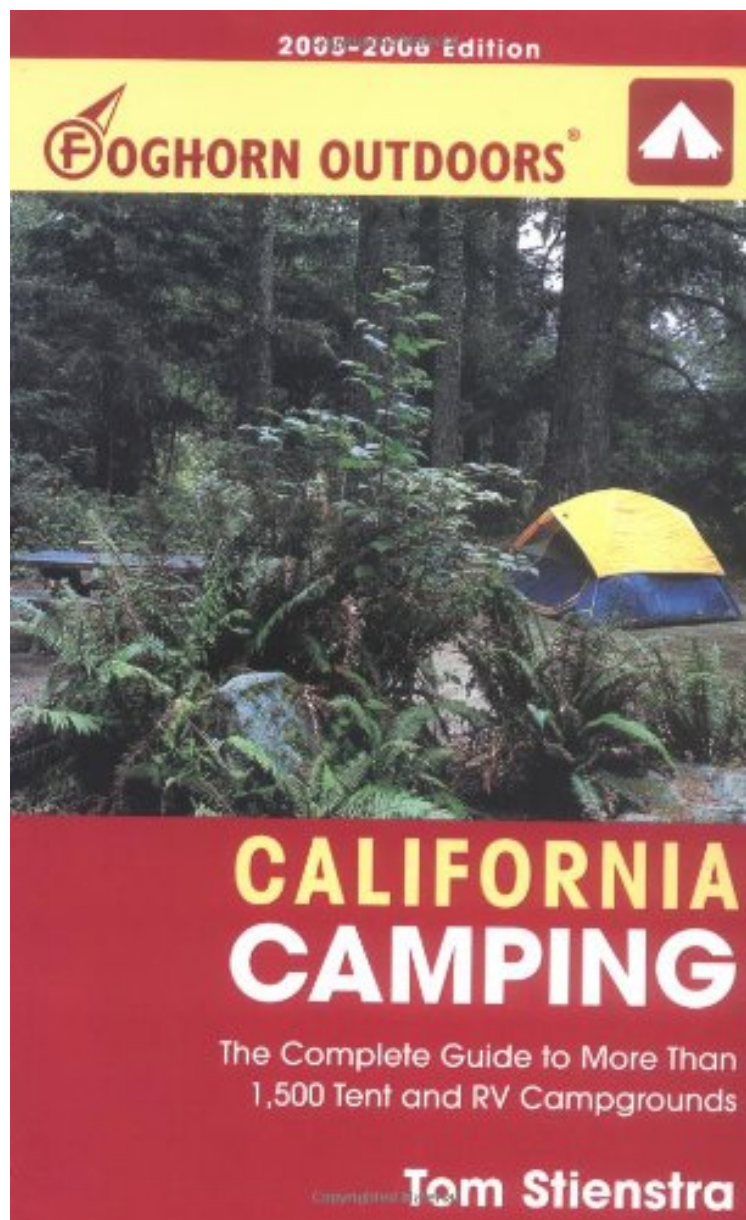


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Revised ReviewBy You or mEI took this book with me on a two-month long road trip around California and the PNW. At first I was excited to have a resource like this with me. However after visiting a lot of the campgrounds listed in the book, it seems the author probably has never even been to many of them. This book reads like the information was taken from the internet or other sources. I finally decided the book was garbage, when I found an awesome FREE campground that wasn't listed in the book, while all of the other pay sites very close by were. So obviously he's either never been there, or perhaps was trying to keep it a secret - that would be a little more respectable. However, the way he rates these sites with no explanation, and provides many very vague descriptions, I think he just collected a lot of existing information and re-worded it. It's funny because at the beginning of the book, he writes about backpacking in the wilderness, hiking to pristine and solitary places, encountering wildlife... Then when it comes down to the actual campgrounds, he rates a bunch of paved parking lot campgrounds "8". Go figure.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Still a good campground referenceBy MLHAn excellent compilation of campgrounds in California that is organized by map regions. Thus, if you are seeking a campground in some mapped location, this book identifies key points about almost all of the campgrounds in that region. I have found it to be an excellent reference. I bought this edition (in 2016) to replace my (still useful) 1997 edition. The rating system is based only on the degree of natural beauty to be found. Other information (# of campsites, type of toilets, rv vs tent, etc.) is provided to help you with your own evaluation.

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Fairly thorough look at camping in CaliforniaBy Corey ScottThis book is written in the same fashion as the other California books from Foghorn Outdoors. Each chapter covers a region of California, and each chapter begins with an overview map of the whole region, followed by closer looks at each portion of the regional map. After the maps, it lists each camping area with a brief description, as well as facts about toilet availability, fees, etc. This book has a fairly thorough list of camping areas, but as with the other Foghorn books, it should definitely be broken up into 2 books for Northern and Southern California, and each book should have at least twice the number of places listed. If you are a California resident looking for lots of places to camp near where you live, you will be disappointed. This book is more of an overview of camping places in the state of California as a whole, and while it will list all the major campgrounds in your area, it will lack many/all of the lesser known areas. I find this book to be of higher value to perhaps an out-of-state visitor who would like to try camping in California, but doesn't know where to begin. It might still be a useful addition to your library if you are an avid California camper, but you'd probably be better off getting a more region-specific book.

Covering every worthwhile destination in California, this is the camper's guide to finding the best spots in the Golden State. Families, day-trippers, and seasoned campers looking for a change of pace will all find the perfect campground among the options selected by renowned outdoor enthusiast Tom Stienstra. Destinations vary from the Mojave Desert in the south to Redwood forests in the north, and beaches along the Central Coast. This guidebook provides updated, easy-to-use region and trail maps, descriptive keynotes for every geographical region, and facility and fee information. Detailed descriptions let campers know when they're near a waterfall, scenic overlook, or wildflower field. Foghorn Outdoors California Camping has the details on the best California camping available.