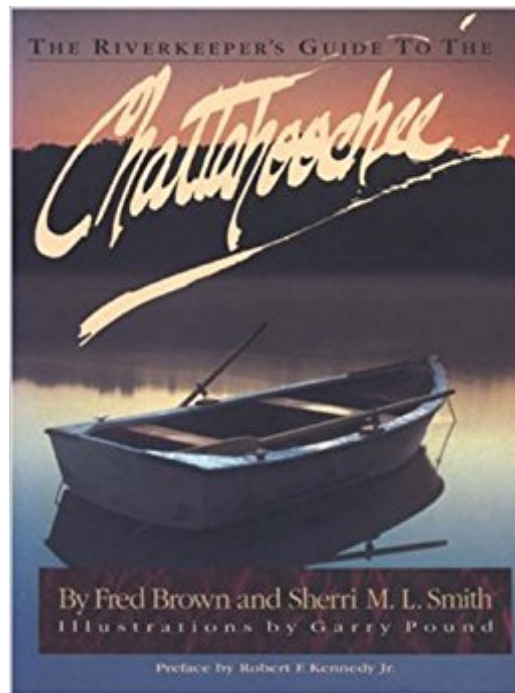




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The Riverkeeper's Guide To The Chattahoochee River



Synopsis

The Chattahoochee is a prototypical American river—from its headwaters in the Blue Ridge Mountains to where it flows into Apalachicola Bay, one of the most productive estuaries in North America. This entertaining, fact-filled guide covers the Chattahoochee's entire 500 mile course and 8,000 square mile watershed. The guide divides the river into ten sections, each of which includes a brief natural history and information on: camping, hiking, fishing, boating, and other recreational pursuits bodies of water that feed into the river cities and towns with river frontage manmade structures such as bridges, dams, and historic ruins environmental threats and preservation efforts Entertaining sidebars throughout highlight the people, history, culture, wildlife, and geography of the entire river valley. Understand the "Hooch," say those dedicated to its conservation, and you will know more about all of our country's waterways. This guid

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"As suitable for armchair browsing as it will be for getting from A to B along the river's more than 500-mile course. . . . The book is engagingly written and packed with lore, maps and useful information. . . . I like this book immensely. It makes me want to take a winter walk along the riverbank in South Georgia, or maybe drive to the headwaters near Brasstown Bald. It also makes me hope that someday the Chattahoochee below Atlanta will be clean again."--Colin Campbell, "Atlanta Journal-Constitution" "Goes beyond the bounds of a mere guidebook . . . While the authors praise the beauty and history of the river, they don't ignore its darker side--the massive amounts of pollution that spew into the river from sewers, factories, development and other sources. Even if you

never intend to dip a canoe paddle into the Chattahoochee, this book can be enjoyable and informative reading, especially if you want to learn more about one of Georgia's most vital natural assets."--Charles Seabrook, "Atlanta Journal-Constitution"

"The Chattahoochee River is an urban refuge for boating, hiking and fishing in the Atlanta area, as well as a lifeline of drinking water for the three states it touches on its route to the Gulf of Mexico. Authors Fred Brown and Sherri Smith have put together an entertaining guidebook that knits together the recreational value of the river while tracing its history and ecological importance. This detailed Riverkeeper Guidebook shows the importance of the Chattahoochee to the Southeast and how we can help preserve and protect its future."--Newt Gingrich

"The Chattahoochee is one of America's most beautiful rivers. It is also one of its most endangered. This guidebook is full of great how-to, where-to information on boating, fishing and hiking opportunities which are close to home. This book will help us understand the river's past and protect its future."--Rand Wentworth, Trust for Public Land

"White water rapids, scenic lakes, the southern-most trout hatchery in the United States. An urban river unmatched by any other city anywhere. Indian history, tupelo honey and a great estuary that produces some of the best oysters in the world. The Chattahoochee River has it all. It is the most symbolic of American rivers. This detailed guide book is your introduction to this great liquid treasure. Hike it, canoe it, explore its tributaries, old mill sites and cypress swamps. You will never see the Chattahoochee--or any river--the same way again."--Jane Fonda

From its origin at Chattahoochee Gap to where it flows into Apalachicola Bay - one of the most productive estuaries in North America - the Chattahoochee is a prototypical American River. Understand it, and you will know more about all the waterways of this country. This guidebook is full of great tips on where to boat, fish and hike as well as information on the importance of preserving and protecting the future of the river. Established in 1994, the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper is a nonprofit environmental advocacy organization dedicated solely to protecting the Chattahoochee River, its tributaries and watershed.

This book has it all. The book is divided by river section starting at the headwaters. Along the way you learn about the parks, campsites, boating, and fishing opportunities that abound on the river. The side captions have fascinating regional trivia.

Great product and price

An excellent reference for anyone planning activities along or near the Chattahoochee. Only shortcoming is general lack of river section and lake maps. The extensive narrative descriptions of noteworthy sites and interesting areas are great and the provided directions help, but some more maps would be very beneficial.

I purchased this book for research -- and wasn't disappointed. Detailed maps, geographical information, history and folklore blend to make this the perfect "bible" for anyone writing or reporting on this major geological riparian feature in north central Georgia.

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