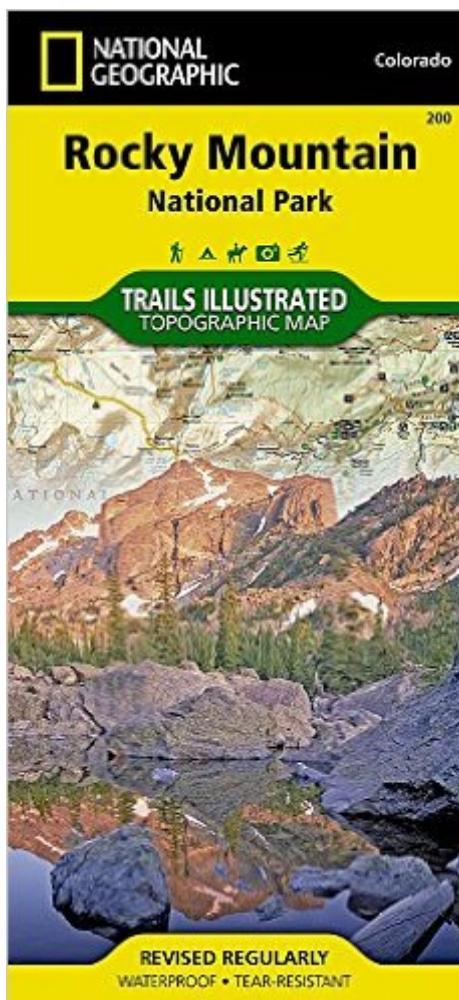


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# Rocky Mountain National Park Hiking Map



## Synopsis

Waterproof Tear-Resistant Topographic MapNational Geographic's Trails Illustrated map of Rocky Mountain National Park delivers unmatched detail and valuable information to assist you in your exploration of this breathtaking wilderness. Whatever the season, you'll find this map a useful tool in pursuing a host of recreational activities from camping and fishing to skiing and snowmobiling. Created in partnership with local land management agencies, this expertly researched map features key areas of interest including Trail Ridge Road, Longs Peak, Arapaho National Forest, Routt National Forest, Roosevelt National Forest, Never Summer Wilderness, Comanche Peak Wilderness, and the Continental Divide Trail. The Rocky Mountain National Park map can guide you off the beaten path and back again with over 400 miles of mapped trails including hiking, horse, snowmobile, cross-country ski, ATV, and mountain bike trails. The map base includes contour lines and elevations for summits, passes and major lakes. Many recreation features are noted as well, including campgrounds, trailheads, interpretive trails, boat launches, fishing access, and horse rental locations. Every Trails Illustrated map is printed on "Backcountry Tough" waterproof, tear-resistant paper. A full UTM grid is printed on the map to aid with GPS navigation. Other features found on this map include: Arapaho National Forest, Comanche Peak Wilderness, Grand Lake, Indian Peaks Wilderness, Lake Granby, Longs Peak, Neota Wilderness, Never Summer Wilderness, Rocky Mountain National Park, Roosevelt National Forest, Routt National Forest, Stones Peak. Map Scale = 1:50,000 Sheet Size = 37.75" x 25.5" Folded Size = 4.25" x 9.25"

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## Customer Reviews

It's a good topo map but a little impractical due to its size to take on hikes. If you will just be day hiking - you probably don't need to bring it. Try looking at a 3 x 3 map on top of a mountain in a 15 to 20 mile per hour wind. When you are on a day hike you don't need a map of the whole park - you only need a map of the area you are actually hiking in. For this I used a paperback hiking book which contained "zoomed in" views of the area I was hiking in. These views contained the trailhead I was leaving from and then usually a good 10 or 15 miles of what was to come. I got 7 miles away from the car and that took 15 hours - round trip. In other words, it would be difficult to walk off the smaller maps in a day. The free maps at the Visitor's Center work well too. The free 8 x 10 inch map on typing paper is just a few inches by a few inches on this topo. So you are getting a much better/larger view. The topo map worked great, however, back in the hotel room when planning the next day's hike. If you will just be casually hiking - you probably don't need it. The trails within 10 to 15 miles of the car are wide, very well worn and very well marked. If you are going backcountry then you already know what you need. For that, I would take this map, a good compass, and a Garmin Montana 650T.

National Geographic makes such great maps, they would outdo most any other map IF they included miles on their trails! I'm relegated to using Google Maps to try to guess (using their ruler tool) how long a trail is. I would give this 3.5 stars (1.5 off) just because of that. We'll cut 'em some slack and give it 4/5. I've copied and pasted this same review for all National Geographic topo maps. Great maps, don't tear, solidly made, seems like the details are accurate. PLEASE ADD MILEAGE!

This is a VERY detailed and accurate trail map. Each trail section is marked with mileage. The name and location of each back country campsite and other amenities are clearly marked. It came in extremely handy for planning a trip to RMNP this coming August(2013). It's almost as though you're right there in the park. When I called for back country campsite reservations the Ranger was impressed with my knowledge of the area where I reserved considering I had never been there. When I told him I got the info from the Nat. Geo. map he immediately said "That's one of the best maps of the park there is." It's also very sturdy and has a water repelling coating to help it last longer. Looking forward to the trip and taking this map with me.

Great map (National Geo maps are always great)! I folded and twisted the map against its original folds and it did great, also its waterproof! No rips or tears and after we got home, I re-folded it the

correct way and it bounced back no problem! Highly recommend this line of maps for anywhere you plan to go.

Nicely produced, high quality map with excellent detail. This Nat Geo map is very well done and serves as an excellent planning and get-to-the-trailhead guide for hikers in Rocky Mountain National Park. Not only is the map detailed and easily readable, the paper stock is tear and stain resistant, meaning this can be taken into the field. That I did not do. Its detail means it is fairly large. I couldn't see myself folding and unfolding this map, particularly in a wind, on the trail. I got smaller one page route maps from the Nat Park Service and the internet after I had honed in on the trails I wanted to take for day hikes. I did not do any overnights. I do imagine this would be nice to have on a back-country overnight trek when one has planning time before and after the day's movement or during breaks. Having said that, this is a very high quality map and served its purpose well for me as planning tool and general terrain reference.

Great map of the park. High quality construction, beautiful imaging, and helpful symbols and markings. If you are going to just do some day hikes in the park, this map is excessive (that's what I did). However, it was very helpful for me to find which hikes I wanted to do while I was there. Make sure you pair this map with a good compass, otherwise a map will be of zero value (not even as TP due to the texture). I would buy this again and would recommend it to a friend.

This map was absolutely essential for our backpacking trip this past summer. Even though it's waterproof and tearproof, we wanted to take care of it since we would like to use it for a long time, so we put it in a plastic map holder. The map holder was quite a bit smaller than the entire map, so we just folded it in a way that only the portion of the park we were in was visible. EVERYTHING we needed was on this map! Our backcountry campsites, all of the trails, elevation, etc. We did find, however, that what we thought was mileage was actually in kilometers (we think - there really was no key that I could find to figure out what the numbers on the trails meant...). This was absolutely essential for two individuals who were new to the park and hiking in some dangerous terrain. I don't think we would have been able to find our way without it, especially when we had to take a few detours due to the weather. About half of the trail we hiked was covered in snow, so it was difficult to find any trailmarkers.

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