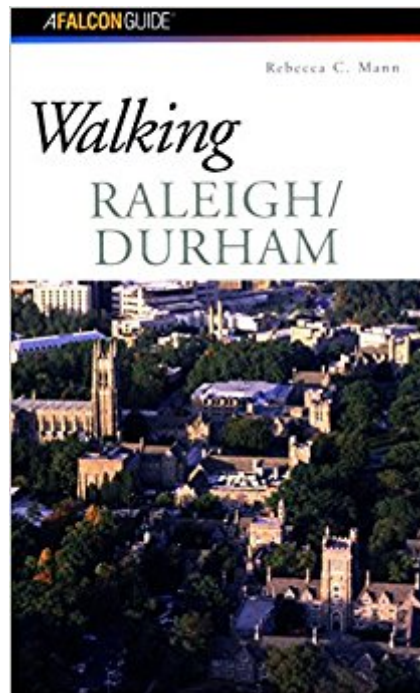




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Synopsis

This pocket-size book leads readers on nineteen walks in and around the Triangle the area of the state encompassing Raleigh and Durham

Book Information

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Steeped in history, Southern charm, cosmopolitan amenities, and award-winning greenways, this corner of North Carolina is ideally suited to explore on foot. This comprehensive guide will lead you to seventeen walking tours of Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill, from historic neighborhoods and college campuses to public gardens and lakeside parks. There are urban walks and nature rambles for every interest and fitness level, from thirty-minute strolls to half-day excursions. Inside you'll find: step-by-step directions and detailed maps including wheelchair-accessibility information; descriptions of important landmarks, historic sites, and other points of interest; tips on public transportation, restaurants, restrooms and climate. (4 1/4 X 7, 256 pages, b&w photos, maps, icons)

I moved from DC to the Raleigh area and promptly moved back a year later, for a variety of reasons, one being the lack of things to do and see. As I like to walk, and the natural scenery is one of the benefits of living here, I bought this book in hopes of finding some good trails, which I did. I thought the variety of nature trails and routes in historic areas of town was good - something for whichever mood you're in that day. Maps aren't too detailed or colorful, but are clear, and come with facts about each location and stop along the way. I particularly enjoyed the walk around UNC-Chapel Hill.

"Walking Raleigh/Durham" by Rebecca C Mann is a "must buy as a Christmas present" for friends or family currently living in the Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill region. As a former Durham resident, I would have loved to have possessed the history, culture, geography and walking opportunities supplied by Mann's little book. The maps are clear and well drawn and include specific distances and safety considerations. The local architecture and lore are fun and enlightening, and it all fits into a coat pocket with ease. While I intend to send copies to Durham and Chapel Hill friends who walk for exercise, I'm also sending my 65+ year old parents a copy. With descriptions of museums, parks, and historic sites one passes on different walks, it will give my parents something to do after they've watched poor Carolina lose yet another football game. If you need to give a UNC-CH, NC State, Duke, or Peace College bound student a high school graduation present they'll really appreciate, this book would be it. Better yet, buy it for their parents, who are much more likely to use it during campus visits to their offspring than are the students themselves, since the latter spend most of their time searching for on campus parking spaces. On my next visit to the Triangle, I'm taking "Walking Raleigh/Durham" along.

This is such a useful book it compels a statement. If you visit the Raleigh/Durham/Chapel Hill area or North Carolina, or if you live there, this book is an extraordinary guide, written with a sensitivity to place, attractions, events, history, excitement of being there, which makes it a stimulating guide. I have passed places often, but only after I read about them in this book did I see them and experience them. She's done a first-rate job of writing about and explaining an area many people think they already know, but will now realize there is more to learn. Thanks.

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