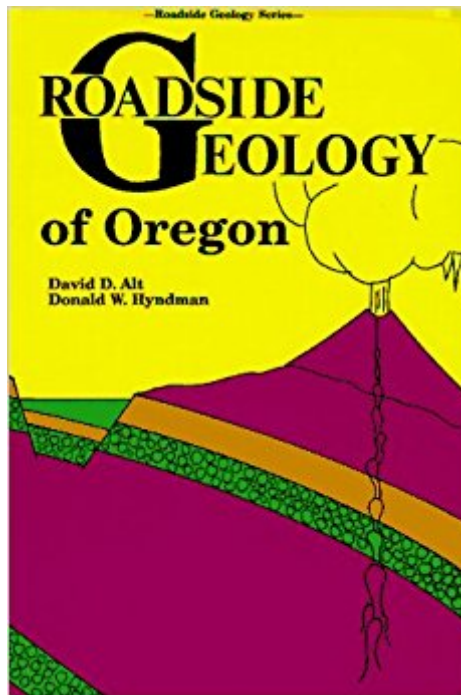




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Synopsis

Until about 200 million years ago, the western margin of North America lay to the east, along the present Idaho border, and a broad coastal plain spread westward into Oregon. The rest of the state was ocean floor. Then the continent began moving slowly westward away from Europe and the floor of the Pacific Ocean began sliding beneath the western edge. That is what created Oregon, and this book tells how it happened.

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Customer Reviews

Roadside Geology of Oregon provides a handy and understandable account, either to read at home, or to carry along on trips." --Oregon Historical Quarterly

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So helpful for short travels.

The commentary on various Oregon roads makes for an interesting ride. However, I wish road mileage markers were mentioned. The first edition is good, but the second edition is much better as it is in color and has easier to read geology maps.

An interesting read but some of it seems a little dated.

In addition to this one for Oregon, I've got the one for Northern California. Highly recommended as well. If you are into this sort of thing, they are awesome! They give fascinating insight into the formation of features that you've probably been looking at your entire life but never had any idea how they got there. As an example, I learned from this book why the West Coast has coastal mountain ranges and why there are rings of volcanoes roughly a 100 miles inland all around the Pacific.

I am a roadside geologist (amateur) and I love this whole series. This is an excellent book (series) to inform about the landforms around us and how it came to be like it is. Written at a basic level of knowledge with enough scientific explanation to help the lay geologist understand.

I wish they would update this book. It appears there was an addition after Mt. Saint Helens exploded, but a whole revision would be good. It really needs an index in the back. I have about 2 dozen of this series and I think most of them have an index. It would be especially useful when planning a trip.

Did a long road trip with friends, and kept these Roadside books handy. Info is great, well organized and clear. Definitely make a road trip more interesting!

I bought this copy used, but in excellent "might-as-well-be-new" condition on arrival, and it answered three of the first questions I had about western Oregon geological features. I have used several of the other, newer books in this series, and this one seems skimpier. But there are also fewer road travel options for the lay user.

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