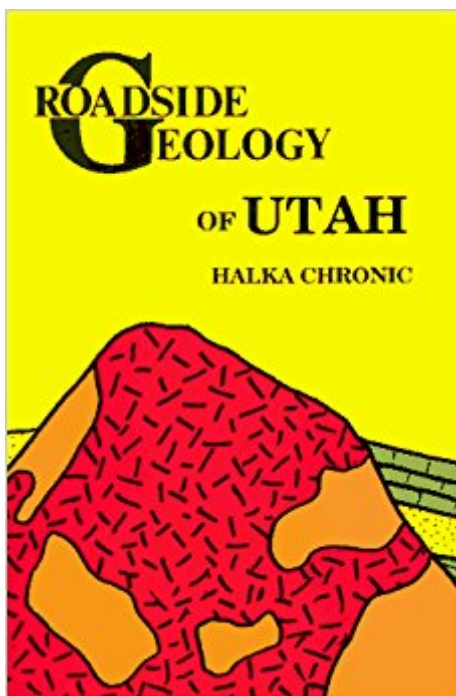


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# Roadside Geology Of Utah (Roadside Geology Series)



## Synopsis

No one can ignore the colorful rocks of Utah: the Vermilion Cliffs of Wingate sandstone, the snow white and salmon pink bluffs of Navajo sandstone, or the yellow and pink rhyolite of Big Rock Candy Mountain. *Roadside Geology of Utah* is a riveting account of the forces that made the brilliant cliffs, mountains, and canyonlands we see today. The author's smooth prose brings the rocks of Utah and their long history into sharp and enjoyable focus.

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"I am pleased to recommend this book as an excellent place . . . to become acquainted with one of the most diversely geologically interesting states in the nation." --Journal of Geological Education

Halka Chronic received a doctorate in geology from Columbia University in 1949. Her career has taken her all over the globe--from teaching at Haile Selassie University in Ethiopia to identifying geologic landmarks for the United States Park Service in the southern Rockies. She now lives in Sedona, Arizona.

This book has been out for a long time but is still an excellent resource for learning about the landscape of Utah, one of the most amazing, varied, and beautiful landscapes in the United States. Sure, there are amazing sights in Alaska (have seen some of them) and in Hawaii (seen one or two of those as well, but so much of what is visible here in Utah is also incredibly accessible - for

everyone. National parks, recreation areas, wilderness, so much splendor and ancient places you can get very close to - staggering. And this book helps you discover so much of the eons of development, the forces that made these amazing places, and why they look the way they do today. It covers the sights and in-depth information that you will see along all our major highways and roads across the state of Utah. I found mine here on [Amazon](#), a used book, great price, but worth a lot more in value.

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

Very helpful for traveling and finding fun places to stop. It's amazing what you can find!

I am now addicted to Halka Chronic's Roadside Geology books. I read ROADSIDE GEOLOGY OF ARIZONA first, because I live in Arizona. But I love Utah's weird geology as much as I love Arizona's, so ROADSIDE GEOLOGY OF UTAH was the next read in the stack. It is a wonderful overview of the forces that shaped the region from the Precambrian Period to the present. Travelers who gaze from the car window as they drive the highways of Utah can satisfy their curiosity about the formations they see on the way. Yes, I am a Geology nerd. I am fascinated with the "bones of the world," and I find this book extremely satisfying. If you plan to take a trip in Utah, take this one with you.

Great book, lots of info.

These books are a must have for my road trips, and Utah is and incredibly fascinating place geologically speaking. (Arches National Park is a must see btw)

I'd recommend a little study of geology, and the formations found in Utah before hitting the road with this book. KC Publications 48 page glossy color "Colorado Plateau", which I found at one of the National Parks, gives you a great introduction to a good fraction of Utah and shows the positions of the formations along with a time line. If you are a layman at geology, unless you prepare, you will get dizzy with references to formations aided only by black and white pictures. The lack of color illustrations is puzzling when color means so much in identification of rocks in the area. If you can easily recognize formations, this book is a great aid as you travel.

I bought this guide and the one for Colorado. Whenever I have a long drive, I check the roads on my trip against the ones listed in the book. Then I stop at the places spotlighted in the book, often road cuts, to learn about the geology of that area. This is a series of geology books for many Western states. Highly recommending for budding geologists.

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