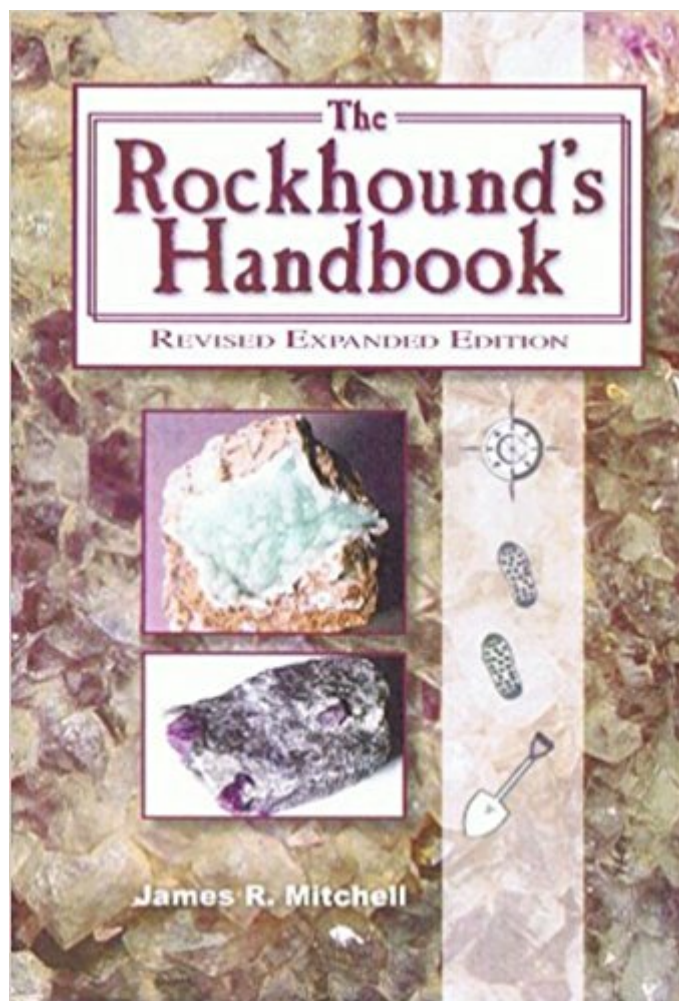


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# The Rockhound's Handbook



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Revised and expanded 2/E of this popular reference guide for rockhounds and field collectors of rocks, minerals and fossils. Includes expanded sections on basic geology and mineral formation; how to find and identify minerals in the field; collecting tools and techniques; finding gold and other heavy minerals; fossil formation and collecting fossils; the legal aspects of collecting; specimen preparation and display plus the basics of lapidary and jewelry making. Illustrated throughout with photos, diagrams and charts; features 16-page color insert of over 90 specimens; extensive glossary; lists of government agencies and museums and much more. An indispensable how-to book for beginners and a comprehensive reference guide for experienced collectors.

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My 9 yr old is a total rock hound and this has been a great addition to our learning. She is Autistic and has fixated on geology at a very young age. Now she impresses others with her ability to classify almost any adult rock hound. Great for hobbyists and budding geologists!

A very informative book on rocks, but it doesn't have many pictures or help with identification. This is a great book for intermediate rock collectors and those that are looking for information on where rocks can be found and the tools to help polish and preserve. Not a great pocket reference for identification purposes, but a very informative book.

good information for a newbie like me

I really enjoyed this book and will keep it as a reference to use. It is full of valuable information for beginner to intermediate rock hounds. The reason I gave it 4 stars instead of 5 is it left me wanting more information. Maybe that is good but I would have liked a little more detail on where to find the rocks and some pictures of before and after of the various lapidary processes mentioned in the book. Over all I recommend it to anyone interested in learning more about rocks.

I'm a newcomer to rockhounding. After reading and highlighting this book, I know much more about the subject. A gold claim I bought has some nice gems on it as well. I can't imagine a better and easy reading book on the subject.

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