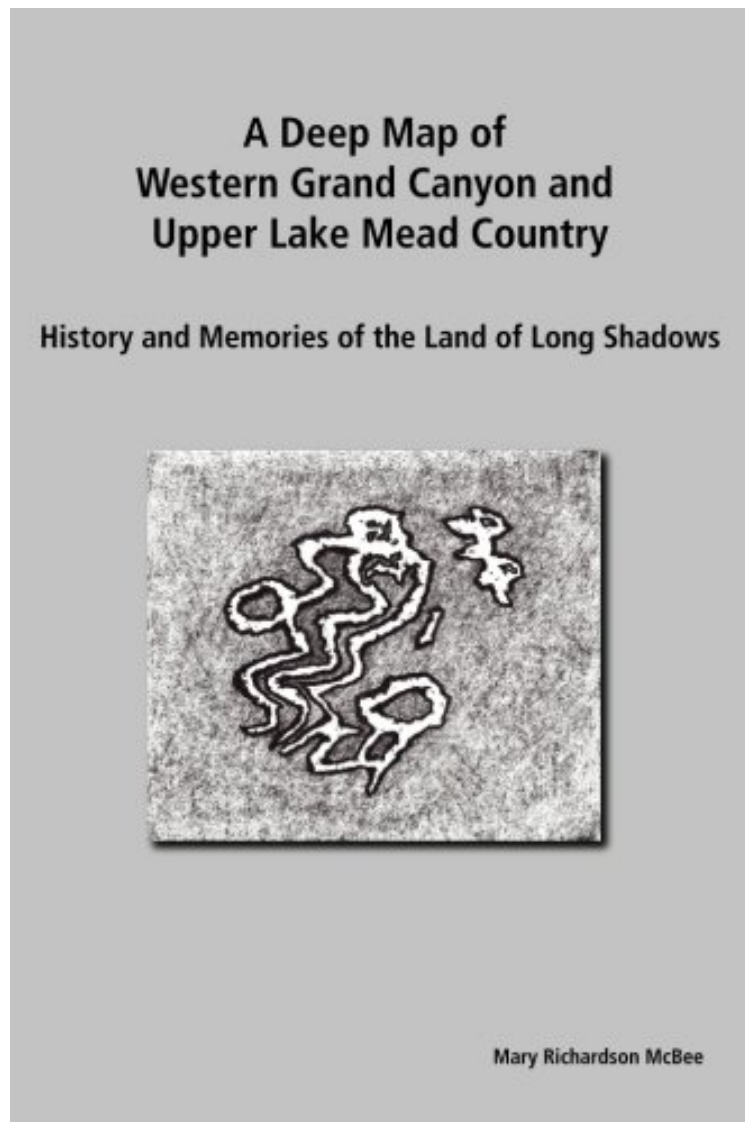


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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Deep Map of Western Grand Canyon and Upper Lake Mead Country By Bill Goodart If you would like a guide to a little known area within and adjacent to the Grand Canyon, this is the book for you. Here you can enjoy quiet and solitude, scenic vistas, rare yet abundant desert plants, awesome geologic features, boating on Lake Mead and the Colorado River with ready access to improved concrete launch ramps without the usual crowds and delays. Despite the remoteness, there is a small outpost with lodging, fuel, and provisions close by (look up Meadview, Arizona on the Internet). A visit will surely result in many questions about this little-known area. In a complete way, this book will answer many, if not most of these questions, from history, geology, and archeology to the present (Grand Canyon West is within the area described in this book). Better yet, this book provides insight invaluable to planning a visit to this area (remember Grand Canyon is in the middle of the area described within this book). I would have to give this book at least 5-stars. *****

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This author embarked on an intimate ten-year journey exploring and collecting fascinating stories and vast amounts of information about this remote area, and in so doing uncovered many little-known gems of history. She reveals how the Spanish captured Paiute Indian children, brought them across the Old Ute Trail around the western end of Grand Canyon and sold them as slaves, and how Mormons purchased Native children, then claimed to simply indenture and raise them to become a white and delightful people. There are stories of rebellious Indian souls, along with tales of moon-shining in Grand Wash and hilarious pioneer characters. She includes intriguing reports of historic dam surveys and expeditions, river crossings both successful and not, daily lives of families at the old ferry crossings, important archeological surveys, discoveries of mystery mines, the struggles of first settlers. Yet perhaps most of all, this work vividly illustrates how the very land, itself, ultimately has the sheer power to dictate history, and how the land will continue to do so. Woven throughout, the author also brings insights into long-contentious issues involving use of the vast public-owned land areas present in the west. She explains how, historically, most were actually lands no one wanted to own and pay taxes on, yet many industries still demanded rights to use resources from these lands, such as harvesting of trees, grazing of cattle, and mining, all while paying small user fees and often leaving the larger expense of maintenance, repair, oversight, and management to designated government agencies funded by the U.S. taxpayer. She brings us to modern-day and shows how conflicts have greatly increased with a much larger variety of users now wanting rights to use and have a say in the future of these public-owned lands.... hikers, photographers, researchers, hunters, preservationists, fishermen, boaters, ATV users, and more. This is an inclusive work of almost 400 pages, containing nearly 200 historic and descriptive photos and hand-illustrated maps for the area.