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# Canoeing & Kayaking Utah: A Complete Guide To Paddling Utah's Lakes, Reservoirs & Rivers





## Synopsis

The first comprehensive flatwater paddling guide to Utah's lakes, rivers, and reservoirs. Utah is covered with scenic waterways that offer a diversity of excursions for paddlers of all levels. Pine-lined shores, red-rock cliffs, quiet canyons, and high-altitude lakes make this state a year-round paddler's paradise, and this book a welcome resource for flatwater enthusiasts. Packed with tips, gear lists, and natural history, this comprehensive handbook is a long-awaited guide to many of Utah's little-known waters and popular destinations. Logistical details help you find exactly the kind of excursion you seek, from easy day trips to challenging expeditions, and provide the information you need to make the most of your paddling experience. 15 maps,30 black and white photographs, index.

### **Book Information**

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### **Customer Reviews**

I do not like to write reviews of my own book but I feel the criticism presented here is unfair and unwarranted. If the critic had simply read the description of the book he or she would have seen that it is clearly a flatwater guide. I think giving a book a one star rating because you did not take the time to read the description is wrong. This book was assembled after travelling over 6000 miles to paddle all the flatwater in the state. There are abundant books on Utah's white water and this is why I wrote this book. As you can see from the other review, the book provides exactly what is provided in the description.

A great book with plenty of insider information. Using the book to plan a trip now. Only wish is that of "real maps." His are good and his directions are better than good, but I am just the person whom would like a larger reference point and I can easily do that with a second resource but if it was in the book wouldn't have to. I still gave the gentleman 5 because the amount of information was worth the price.

This book is a must have for folks interested in FLATWATER kayaking in Utah. My husband and I have done nine different paddles based on information provided by this book. We were able to choose just the right location for the circumstance (season, amount of time we had, distance we were willing to travel etc.) and we were well prepared each time based on the author's thorough description of conditions, challenges, directions etc. It is disappointing to me that the overall rating of this book is so low because folks assumed they were getting a whitewater kayaking book. A little bit of research (easily conducted at or just by looking at the cover and back cover of the book) would have led these guys to choosing the right book for their needs. It is more than a little unfair to blast the author for their mistaken choice. If you want a comprehensive and engaging book about all of the FLATWATER wonders to explore in UT, this is the perfect book for you!

I really like this book, and use it as my main reference in planning our kayaking trips in Utah. Kudos to the author for seeing the need for a flatwater kayaking book for Utah, and for filling that void. My husband and I have had a great time kayaking on many of the bodies of water he describes in this book. Who knew you could kayak in Utah in the middle of February? There are a lot of tips about visiting and paddling the various lakes and reservoirs (and some rivers) in Utah, and valuable information such as directions, mileage charts, GPS coordinates, descriptions of the area, and where good put-in spots are. This book is a great resource and comprehensive guide, definitely worth getting.

I have a "PaddleSki" with a sail and this is perfect for finding new places I can take my little sailboat. It is exactly what I was looking for!! Thanks for all the work you put into putting this together. I love it!

I agree with the author when he says that this is the only guide to flatwater in Utah. Even though it is the default choice, it is a well thought out book. It hits the obvious places and a few out of the way places I'd never heard of. Each individual review does a good job of describing the location. The book would have benefited from individual closeup maps for at least the "best bets" destinations. Also, for the destinations that are reservoirs (most of them) it might have been helpful to have listed the water level required for the paddling that is described. Some of the destinations flat out don't exist in a dry year. Of course, any travel guidebook is outdated the day it is published and this book is no exception--the kayak rental place on Antelope Island is closed as of September 14, 2007. While you could eventually discover most of the destinations yourself (there just isn't much water in Utah), this book can will save you a lot of time and miles. Recommended.

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