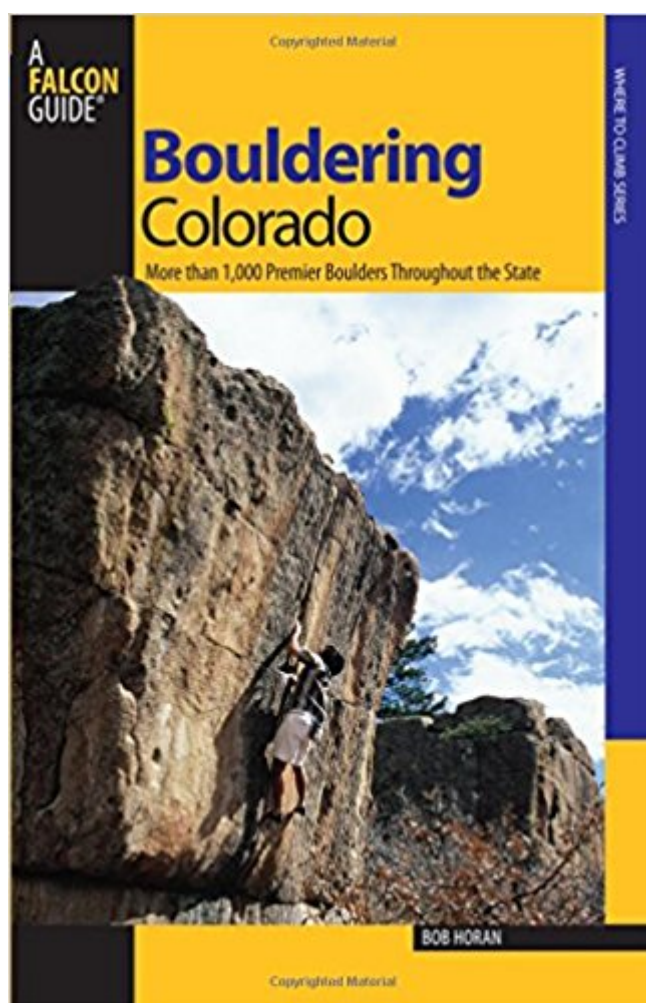


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# Bouldering Colorado: More Than 1,000 Premier Boulders Throughout The State (Bouldering Series)



## Synopsis

**BOULDERING COLORADO:** More than 1,000 Premier Boulders throughout the State  
Bob Horan (Falcon) The all-new climbers' guide with nearly twice the listings of any other Colorado is one of the world's premier bouldering destinations, and Boulder resident Bob Horan has been climbing them all for 35 years. Horan has established hundreds of new routes and boulder problems, pushing standards such as the first free ascent of the Rainbow Wall, which is Eldorado Canyon's first 5.13, as well as Beware the Future (5.14) in the Flatirons. This original book contains nearly 4,000 individual routes covering the entire state, with some listings found nowhere else. Geared to all skill levels, the book is enhanced by roughly 900 detailed maps and full-color color photos accompanying Horan's comments. Bob Horan has been climbing since he was a teenager, and has written extensively about it in several books and magazines. He and his family live in Boulder.

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## Customer Reviews

Bouldering Colorado is the first single-volume guide to one of the world's premier bouldering destinations. It covers the best bouldering found throughout the Centennial State, with descriptions of more than 1,000 boulders—hundreds of which have never appeared in any book—and almost 4,000 individual problems. Written by longtime Colorado climber Bob Horan, this guide includes both traditional favorites and new discoveries that fuel the fire of the boulderer's quest, from the Front Range to Summit County to the Western Slope. Geared

to all skill levels, Bouldering Colorado is the essential guide for climbers ready to explore one of America's most boulder-endowed states. Bob Horan has developed hundreds of boulder problems and rock climbs throughout Colorado. He is the author of several FalconGuides, including Best of Boulder Bouldering.

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This book merely outlined what he thought best places for bouldering are. The classic problems described were described well but some areas were included and described similar to "This Place exists but is not worth a description or a map of it or to it". I was disappointed as I do not climb V4 and above often and I find joy in problems that are not "classic". Buy a few individual area guides instead and save time and money on this "comprehensive state guide".

I personally cannot attest to its accuracy or flavor because I'm not homicidal. While my brother-in-law Ben may have been designed by the Gods for doing stupid dangerous things; my design feature primarily include staying at the bottom of mountains on the ground turning beer into piss. My brother-in-law will be the recipient of this book tomorrow for Christmas and I will update if he finds it to be anything less than extremely useful...which is how he described the copy of this book he borrowed from a friend last year; hence the gift this year.

Whoever have this book 5 stars must not know the areas well. This is riddled with misinformation and wrong directions/names/grades of problems. Rocky Mountain National park info is especially ludicrous. Save your \$. I don't know how this book is still on the shelves. If Falcon wants to continue to be seen as a serious guide book company, they should yank this ASAP.

I bought this book and I haven't been that impressed. On the up side it is one single book that gets you to a lot of places (thats all) but as a route guide it is pretty messy. As always Horan's route description were confusing and far to concise, luckily I knew this before buying the book. To use this book you will need a lot of supplementation from other sources to really have a full day at a new place. It seems that if a route wasn't around in Horan's heyday then it is simply ignored, there are many new school classics in popular areas that mysteriously don't make the cut. Lastly when I am lost while using this book to navigate I curse FALCON GUIDES for publishing a book with many

maps nearly all without scale bars, this is a basic map making technique.

If you enjoy getting lost looking for boulders, or think that making up names and grades is acceptable, then this is the book for you. If you want accurate info then I suggest you avoid this "guide" at all costs.

I'm more disappointed in Falcon for publishing this mess than I am in Horan for writing it. It's one thing for an arrogant hack like Horan to botch a guide like this (a guide book author has two jobs- get accurate information, and present it well; Horan does neither), but it's atrocious that Falcon ignored the roar of complaints before this book went to distributors. I know some of the other Falcon authors produce great guides (i.e. Stewart Green), but I can't see myself supporting this publisher in the future if they don't recall *Bouldering Colorado*. If I haven't made myself clear, don't buy this book!

After using this book for several years now, I must say that it has acted as an accurate guide both historically and geographically. I have had few if any problems finding and bouldering on the amazing boulders documented in this volume of incredible work. It is an amazing documentation both literally and photographically of the bouldering in Colorado. I find some of the negative reviews both inaccurate and bullfied. This author has been at the fore front of both bouldering and climbing at a world class level for over 30 plus years. Cheers to this incredible piece of work. Boulder On!

I saw some of the other reviews and decided to test this book out for myself. I am not sure why it got a few bad reviews. I thought the book was very well done. I have read others by Horan and believe this one is top notch. It has wonderful pictures and tons of great information. I think some people might get upset because he tells the public in this book about many "hidden treasures" in the Front Range.

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