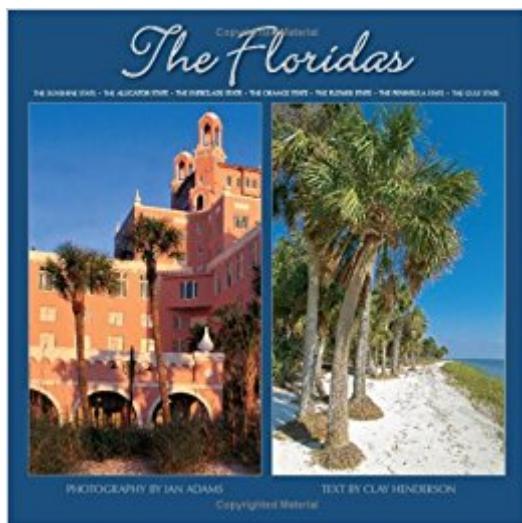


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Landscape photographer Ian Adams teams up with environmentalist Clay Henderson to explore the many Floridas that rub shoulders and bump heads inside the borders of the Sunshine State. Two hundred and eighty color photographs, closely supported by Adams' extended captions and Henderson's main text, take the reader on a grand tour of Florida's natural and cultural beauty spots: seashores, springs, forests, wetlands, prairies, gardens, groves, and man-made structures ranging from prehistoric shell mounds to the mansions and roadside attractions of the last century. Woven into the geographic fabric of the book are Henderson's authoritative essays on Florida's geology, hydrology, climate, wildlife, prehistory, history, population growth, immigration patterns, cracker culture, eccentric erections, notable naturalists, and battles royal among developers and environmentalists. Adams joins to every one of his photographs a deeply researched caption calculated to illuminate and expand the main text.

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The pictures and the information are wonderful. It's very interesting, especially being a new resident in Florida.

I received a copy of this book as a gift recently. My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed paging through the book. We found new perspectives on familiar locations as well as some really interesting pictures of nearby places that we have not visited yet. The photography is really outstanding, and the historical and geographical information about the photos is very interesting. The book is a very good introduction to Florida, both for people who live here as well as for people who come to visit. It will definitely have a place in our living room.

I just got a copy of this book last week and it is wonderful. The photos show dramatic and intimate views of the state's riches - from its natural resources to its varied architecture. Woven into the visual richness is a terrific narrative by a native son whose love of the state is clear but passionate. Everyone in my family has spent long sessions looking through the book remembering places we've been and others that we now must see.

Bought the book more or less sight unseen, and really enjoyed it. The nature shots are exceptional, and there is also good coverage of more off-the-beaten track and historical places.

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