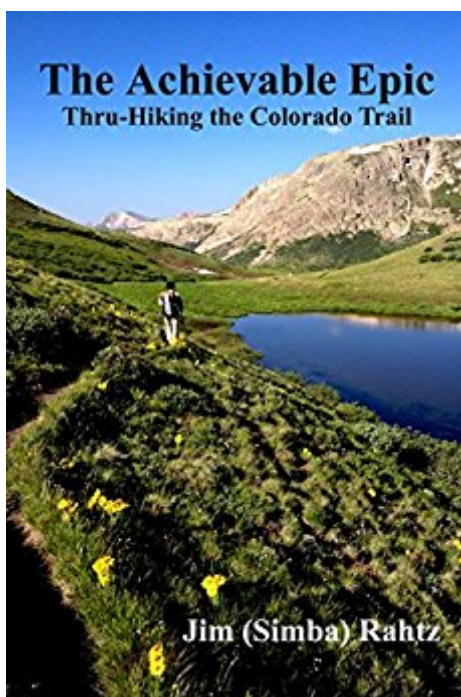


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# The Achievable Epic: Thru-Hiking The Colorado Trail



## Synopsis

Multiple Award Winner: 2015 Outdoor Writers of Ohio "Outstanding Media Achievement and Best Series of Photos." Inside many of us, there is a need, often suppressed, to accomplish something epic. For those that backpack, the dream is likely a thru-hike of the Appalachian Trail. Unfortunately, the reality is that spending six months on a hike is not possible for most. However, there is a truly epic adventure waiting on the Colorado Trail. And the good news is that it is achievable. This book is your window into the most beautiful long trail in the world. • Explore, along with author Jim (Simba) Rahtz, the challenges, rewards and laughs of preparing for and walking 500 miles through eight mountain ranges, six wilderness areas and some of the most incredible scenery imaginable.

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## Customer Reviews

Jim Rahtz is an embarrassment to through hikers. He starts off walking the trail without a backpack having his brother pick him up after each section. Then he finds the easiest, laziest way to hike a section by having his brother take him to the highest point of the trail and hiking backwards. Jim is very good at complaining about how hard the trail is. He captivates the typical lazy American with the educational writing ability of a second grader. Don't waste your time buying this book.

Yes, he slacked packed few sections of the trail: BUT HE HIKED IT. . . and Jim Rahtz is quite right when he states the old backpacker's mantra: "Hike your own hike". I did enjoy reading this book exactly for the same reasons that others disliked it: it is short, written in simple English, without poetic ramblings that disguise a miserable rainy and cold day. It is an honest and humble account of the joys and trials of hiking a long distance trail. And the most joyous of all the achievements is that he did it in his own terms. I learned about gear choices, mileage and resupply points, --which is information that I will apply to my own Colorado Trail this summer 2016. Congratulationsn to Jim Rahtz.

This is an entertaining and informative book. Rahtz's narrative of his journey is done with a clear eye for detail as well as a sense of humor. The pictures are worth the purchase price and the info on equipment and preparation are a must read for any hikers contemplating the Colorado Trail. I'm looking forward to reading about the next journey!!

This is an amusing and thoughtful account of one guy's journey to achieve his own goal of hiking the Colorado Trail. I got some good laughs along with some goods tips on equipment and taking it one step at a time. I wouldn't stop here if I were preparing to make the thru-hike, but for a few bucks, it's a great read to get you excited about the prospect.

I really enjoyed this book, especially the author's self-deprecating sense of humor. Unlike the other reviewer who didn't seem to like the book, I am not a purist and enjoy my time outdoors where I can reflect and appreciate what nature has to offer. As the author mentions - hike your own hike. I recommend this book as a good read.

My BHAG for the next few years is to chunk hike the CT so I am reading everything I can on my home state's famous trail. This was a funny, quick read with lots of good advice on how to tackle the trail.

honestly I did not enjoy the writing and have little hope that the information provide will be of much use. Really did not enjoy hearing the writer complain.

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