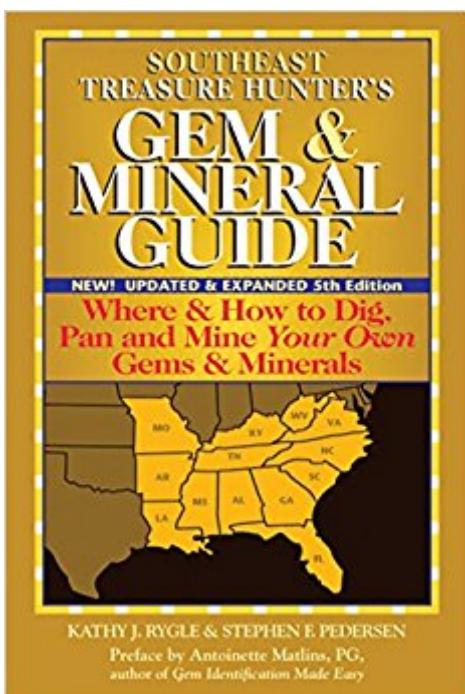


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Southeast Treasure Hunter's Gem & Mineral Guide (5th Edition): Where & How To Dig, Pan And Mine Your Own Gems & Minerals



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Updated 5th Edition with new sites & museums! Learn Where & How to Dig, Pan and Mine Your Own Gems & Minerals SOUTHEAST Alabama • Arkansas • Florida • Georgia • Kentucky • Louisiana • Mississippi • Missouri • North Carolina • South Carolina • Tennessee • Virginia • West Virginia Whether you're digging for the first time or are an experienced rockhound or prospector, with a simple rock hammer and a little luck, you too can strike it rich ... or at the very least, have fun trying. This guide offers you easy-to-use information on the ins and outs of "fee dig" mining, complete with locations, costs, tips on technique, entertaining legends and important information on everything from safety kits to the location of the nearest restrooms. Included are resources for use in identifying your finds, exploring the lapidary arts, and further pursuing an exciting and possibly profitable hobby. Equipment and Clothing: What you need and where to find it (or how to make it yourself). Mining Techniques: Step-by-step instructions on panning for gold, sluicing for gems and other methods. Gem and Mineral Sites: Directions and maps, hours, fees and equipment needed. Also includes info on guide services, local camping facilities and more. Museums and Mine Tours: Where to visit commercial and historical mines, as well as museums with exhibits of gems and minerals (for help in learning what to look for). Special Events and Tourist Information: Listings of regional events involving gems and minerals, and sources of general travel and tourism information for every state. Other Features: Where to find your birthstone ... your anniversary stone ... your zodiac stone; Index by State; Index by Gem/Mineral; U.S. State Gems & Minerals Chart; and more!

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Customer Reviews

Kathy J. Rygle combines her scientific training with a hobbyist's passion. A lifelong rockhound, she has shared this hobby since it began with their parents with Stephen F. Pedersen and their children, and has traveled to many "fee dig" sites, museums and mine tours across the United States. Antoinette Matlins, PG, FGA, is an internationally respected gem and jewelry expert, author and lecturer. With over 1 million copies of her seven books in print in nine languages, she is the most widely read author in the world on the subject of jewelry and gems. Honored with the international Accredited Gemologists Association's highest award for excellence in gemology, Ms. Matlins' books are widely used throughout the world by consumers and professionals in the gem and jewelry field. Her books include *Jewelry & Gems: The Buying Guide* (over 400,000 copies now in print—the only book of its kind ever offered by Consumer Reports); *Colored Gemstones: The Antoinette Matlins Buying Guide*; *The Pearl Book: The Definitive Buying Guide*; *Gem Identification Made Easy*; *Engagement & Wedding Rings: The Definitive Buying Guide for People in Love*; and *Jewelry & Gems at Auction: The Definitive Guide to Buying & Selling at the Auction House & on Internet Auction Sites* (all GemStone Press). Former gemology editor of *National Jeweler* magazine, her articles and comments on buying and selling gems and jewelry and on gem investment have appeared in many national and international consumer and trade publications. She is also the author of the "Gemstones" chapter in the *Encyclopedia of Investments*, second edition. Ms. Matlins has gained wide recognition as a dedicated consumer advocate, and continues to spearhead the Accredited Gemologists Association's nationwide campaign against gemstone investment telemarketing scams and other types of consumer misrepresentation. A popular media guest, she has been seen on ABC, CBS, NBC and CNN, educating consumers about gems and jewelry and exposing fraud. In addition to her educational work, Ms. Matlins is retained by clients worldwide to seek fine, rare or unusual gems and jewels for acquisition.

Extremely informative book!!!! We liked the fact that the sites are rated for accessibility levels. Thank you!!!!

The book is informative, but does not include much detail about the different locations. Kind of disappointing in that respect.

My husband is a gem hunter. He thinks this is one of the best books that he has gotten. And he has a lot of books. Thanks .

ABSOLUTE MUST FOR ANY GEM PROSPECTOR...This is a great book for learning how to prospect for gems and WHERE to find them.

Have visited Dalonega Ga. And the Frankling area to visit mines that were not seeded. Now this summer I will go to Arkansas looking for The big one.

Visiting SE this summer so hope to make good use of advice.

You can easily look this information on the internet-nothing special at all! I should have looked at the other reviews and NOT bought this book. It is mainly just museums listed, NOT rockhounding sites.
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She missed one hell of a lot in the South East. SERIOUSLY. Starting to think she lives by reutation alone, no actual work, except , of course, her seminars, that haven't taught anything new in ten years.

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