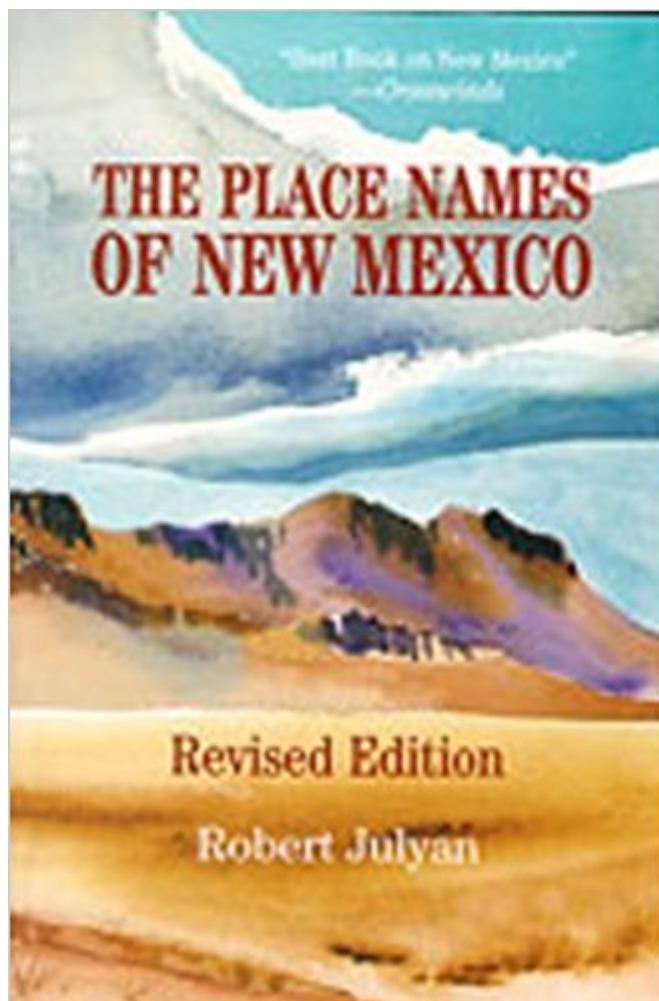


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The Place Names of New Mexico is an invaluable guide to the state's geography and history. It explains more than 7,000 names of features large and small throughout the state; towns, mountains, rivers, canyons, counties, post offices, and even abandoned settlements; as well as providing relevant information about location, history, and current status. The revised edition contains more than fifty expanded and updated entries. The accounts are also journeys into New Mexico's past, offering glimpses of the lives and values of the people who named the place. Humor, tragedy, mystery, and daily life; they can all be found in this book.

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The perfect book for someone moving to New Mexico. Filled with history, and great info for a new arrival to help fit-in.

A good book for its use.

This book is 'only' a dictionary of place names in New Mexico. They are listed alphabetically, and I haven't found a place yet that isn't in the book. There is often a blurb about the local history in addition to the origin of the name. Short as the entries are, I find them fascinating. They even point out that Thoreau can be pronounced "Through." Some people keep certain books in their bathrooms, this book rides around in the back seat of my car. I first saw it in the back seat of a friend's car, and knew immediately I needed a copy for my car. If you drive much in New Mexico, I suggest you get a copy for your back seat, too.

As a New Mexican in the hospitality business, I hear the question all the time, why is this or that place called that? This book has all the answers. Hundreds and hundreds of place names...not just towns, but mountains, valleys, rivers, etc.

For a New Mexico lover trapped in Illinois this book is a wonderful little treasure. To be truthful, anything that can take me to New Mexico in my mind is a blessing and this book does that. My one wish is that there would have been more examples on how to pronounce many of the named places. Every trip out there my daughter who resides in Albuquerque has some good laughs as she corrects my pronunciation of Cabezon, Bernalillo, Manzano.....

This is an excellant "place names" by state book. I have many such books from various states. One I bought the same day is one from California which showed me how bad some of these books can be (the CA book, not the NM book). This NM book, tells the background and how each place name came into being with passion and interest and a good amount of research on each location...I will use it often and refer to it often! Highly recommended.

We got our book and it was in great shape for being used. We take it everywhere in NM. We are natives of NM and we still are stumped about certain place names and this book helps us out. This book gives a little history on each place so if you want to do more research it is a place to start.

Very good reference book and history.

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