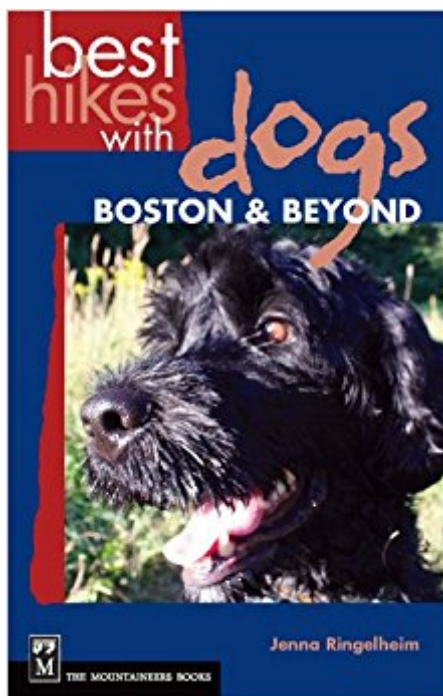




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Synopsis

CLICK HERE to download a free hike from Best Hikes with Dogs Boston & Beyond* Guidebook includes a great mix of interesting urban and rural trails* All trails guaranteed to be dog-friendly and dog-fun!* Extensive info on canine hikers and their special needs Explore the classic beauty of the Massachusetts's wild areas with your dog! Whether you're in bustling Boston, the peaceful Berkshires, or out for a beach walk on the Cape, you and your dog buddy will have a blast on the trail. Areas covered in Best Hikes with Dogs Boston and Beyond include Dogtown Commons, Estabrook Woods, Callahan State Park, Blue Hills Reservation, Mount Watatic, island beaches, and much more. This guidebook offers tips on trail etiquette, hiking with dogs and their special needs, minimizing negative impacts, what to do when you meet other hikers, dealing with wildlife encounters, and unique skills for preparing your dog for trails on the Massachusetts mainland and island terrain.

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"Readers and dog owners unfamiliar with local woods, or those looking to change things up, should consider buying Best Hikes with Dogs: Boston & Beyond." (Salem News)"Jenna Ringelheim of Wellesley gives dog lovers a leg up on hiking with their best friends." (Charlie Breitrose The (MA) Daily News)"To leash or not to leash? Toss this question out to dog owners and environmentalists and some will get as testy as bulldogs guarding their turf. But author Jenna Ringelheim, a conservationist by profession and a dog lover by nature, has found a middle path, and plenty of

great off-leash dog hikes in the area as well." (Boston Globe)"Any book that lists off-leash hiking areas for dogs - and how to safely and responsibly make the most of those rare opportunities - is a valuable tool." (OhMiDog.com)

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There is a lot of information in this book about dog walking etiquette and safety along with complete descriptions of good places to go with your dog. The etiquette section was news to me. For example, the author says that there shouldn't be more than 3 dogs in a group, regardless of the number of humans. I've seen plenty of dog walkers on trails with many more than that! And some dog owners have more than one dog, so I think some of the "rules" are too unrealistic. However, it is good to learn what other dog owners might consider the right way to hike with your dog and then make your own decisions about what's right for you. The book is divided into regional sections. I live north of Boston, and there were many hikes described in it that I haven't been on and sound enticing. You will need a car to get to most of the hikes.

With our Yellow Lab and 2 kids under 10, we have taken most of the trails that this book describes. Sometimes the directions to the trail are not as clear as we could hope, but with a GPS in the car and comparing the trail map to the GPS map we did manage to locate the trail head in all cases, and the level of difficulty of the trails was never too much for the kids.

this book is for a family member who has 2 happy dogs. they love hiking off leash and this book provides such great hikes for owners and dogs to love.

The book actually says next to nothing about Boston proper - the chapter titles refer to East of Boston, South of Boston, etc. and mainly describe hiking trails and paths to take with your dog. Nice to know, but it's not the guide to urban dog-friendly places we were seeking.

Easy to use guide, featuring an overview map and individual trail write-ups. Author's included great basic facts and references for each trail: Location, Hiking Distance, Hiking Time, Elevation Gain,

Map Source, Trail Mgt Contact, Pet Policy, Driving Directions, Text Description of Trail Traverse and Points of Interest, Photos, a Trail Elevation Profile and a Scaled Topographical/Contour Map with the trail delineated and key landmarks identified. I originally thought, "I don't need to buy this book, I can do an online search for dog-friendly parks/trails and trail maps myself." I like to do things myself...and apparently I like to take 10x the amount of time necessary by doing it myself. I switched philosophies thanks to my loving dog giving me a reality check (she puts her head on my lap and sighs when I've been on the computer too long) - being out on a great trail walk is time much better spent than searching for great trail walks. This book makes it incredibly easy to pack a water bottle, decide how far we want to drive, how far we want to walk, what do we want to see (mountain views), what we want to do (swimming opportunity? dog park opportunity?) and just GO. Also important - I already know the exact pet policy prior to arrival (on leash full park or partial, etc.). Also, the author often points you to the primary trails in a park (here's where doing some things yourself pays off) - with a little research into the area, you may discover many more miles of marked trails to come back and explore other days (easy example is the Middlesex Fells Reservation). This book gets you out of your chair, in the car and on the trail leaving you no excuses to lose/waste anymore of that precious "happy-dog" time. Cudos to the author on content and publisher on format.

Hiking with one's dog can be an exciting experience for both dog and owner. "Best Hikes with Dogs: Boston & Beyond" offers an array of hikes for hikers that facilitate the accompaniment of their dog. Offering fifty trails, both urban and rural, that give plenty of varieties for hikers and their canine friends, Best Hikes with Dogs Boston & Beyond is an absolute must for hikers who are also pet owners who reside in Boston and the Massachusetts area. "Best Hikes with Dogs: Boston & Beyond" is a top notch acquisition that is as practical as it is informative.

This very informative book is a must read for people who enjoy walking with their dogs. Find out about the best places to walk with your four legged friend(s). The book is very detailed and a useful guide for dogs and their humans to get the most out of their walking adventures. I have spent many hours walking with my dogs. Knowing the most fun and safest places to take your dogs is worth the price of the book! It is a proven fact that people who are dog owners are likely to walk longer and more often than non-dog people.

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