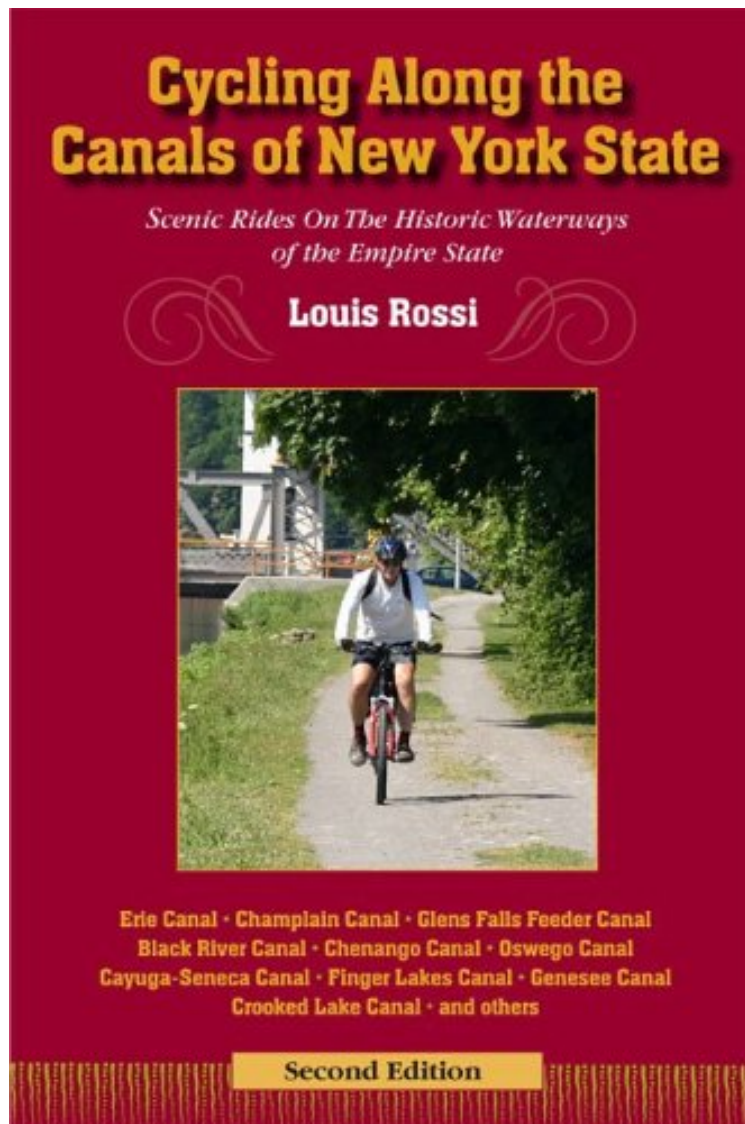


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This is more of a storybook than a guide, loaded with fascinating information about bicycle paths all around upstate New York. I'm sure it will make a wonderful fireside read this winter. It does not, however, include the basic information we expect and look for in a guidebook. It desperately needs a sidebar or index for each path, stating length, pavement type and condition, whether on road or off, access points, and rest stops. Still, I'm glad to have it.

Experience breathtaking landscapes while you explore the rich history along the many canals of upstate New York. Ride the Canalway Trail, one of the most extensive trail networks in the nation. You can ride over 200 miles of off-road trails built atop the old towpaths and adjacent rail beds. Combine a canal boat and bicycling vacation along the Erie Canal or take a side trip to one of the Finger Lakes.

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