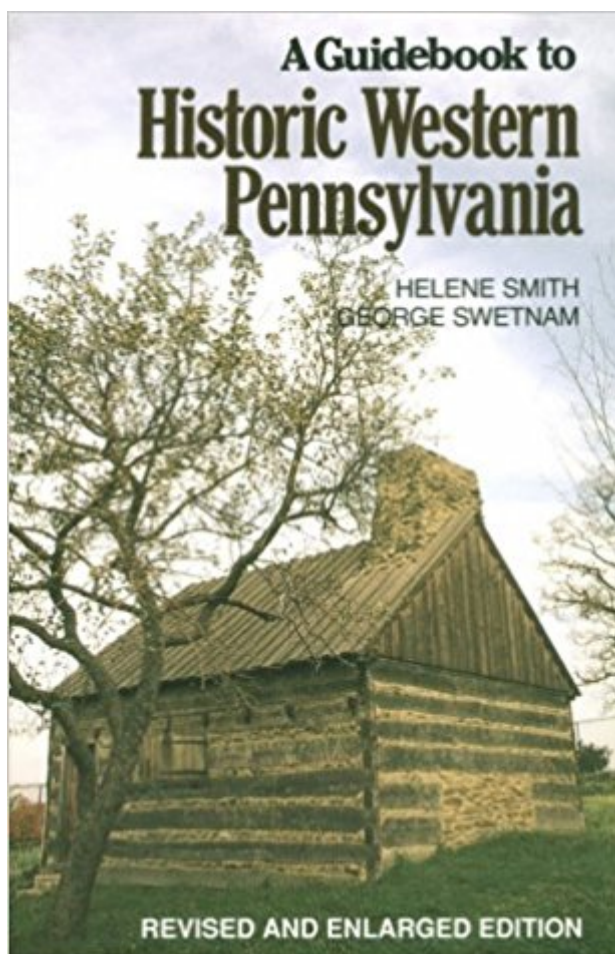


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# Guidebook To Historic Western Pennsylvania: Revised Edition



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Since its first publication in 1976, this guide - with nearly thirty thousand copies sold - has become the standard book for exploring the twenty-six counties of western Pennsylvania. Yet in the past fourteen years, many sites have been lost through fire, demolition, or neglect - and many other sites of historical interest have been discovered and documented. Now Helene Smith and George Swetnam have completely revised the text, updating the capsule histories, the site descriptions, and location directions (including all the new Pennsylvania road numbers), and adding several hundred new entries.

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The book covers the 26 western most counties of PA. There is plenty of info about historic sites, battles, buildings, etc. Most of the listed sites have a brief description and or bio about the person or thing. Kind of like a yellow pages of history for western PA. But if your looking for in depth info this isn't the book for you. That you'll have to find elsewhere. But it does get you in the ball park. The only thing that I would have liked to see was more detailed maps to some of the sites. Most have driving directions included but a few more dots on the county maps for highlighted site would have

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