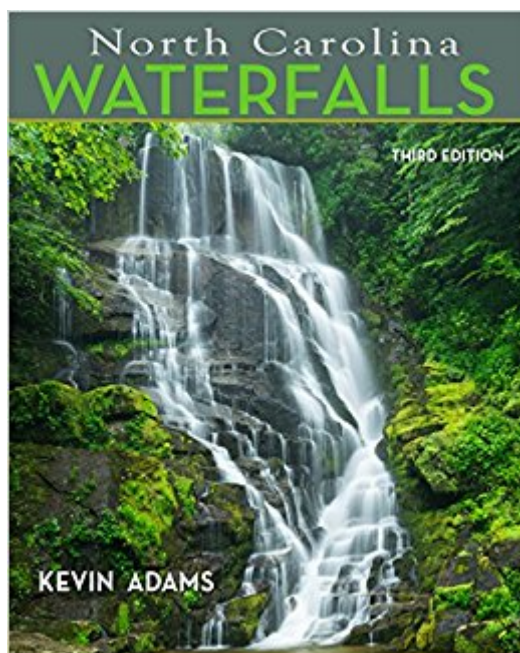


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# North Carolina Waterfalls



## Synopsis

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In addition to North Carolina Waterfalls, Kevin Adams is the author of seven additional books and their numerous revisions. He has taught nature photography seminars since the early 1990s and leads popular tours in the N.C. mountains to photograph waterfalls. He is the man behind Digital After Dark blog and the free Night Photography News e-newsletter. He lives in the mountains of North Carolina.

I own a lot of waterfall books; probably over 20. Up until now the best book out of all of them has been Kevin Adams' "North Carolina Waterfalls", 2nd edition. The 3rd edition, the book I'm reviewing, surpasses the previous one by miles!! It is extremely well-written, contains valuable information about hiking and waterfall safety precautions, and is probably the most complete guide to the state's falls in existence. Not only are all of those things true, the photography, all color, is phenomenal! I don't believe I've ever seen such astounding pictures of water flowing at night with the Milky Way galaxy spread gloriously out above it!! This author is talented in a multitude of areas. Buy this book! You will not be disappointed!!

I was impressed with his first edition. Then his second comes along and blows the first one away. I did not expect such a leap on the third edition, but it is another such "quantum leap." No more black-and-white photos. Every major listing has a color photo, and one can see the evolution of this nature photographer's talent. It's a stunning and amazingly helpful guide book and delightfully

readable with his usual wit. Anyone wishing to visit North Carolina's waterfalls should make the acquisition of this book a top priority.

I bought this to take on a week long trip to NC. The pictures are beautiful, the directions I used were accurate, and I can see how this book would be of value to someone who spends a lot of time in NC. As it turned out, it wasn't the best choice for my recent trip, but that's no reason to reduce the rating. I can, however, see using this on a future trip. Here's why it wasn't the best choice for me this time. First, I wasn't familiar with the area, so the organization of the book was not helpful without an actual map. (I should have bought the map by Kevin Adams that goes with this.) Second, I'm not so enthusiastic (or fit) to go bush-whacking to see a waterfall or anything else, so perhaps an index of falls with difficulty levels would be helpful as an appendix. (Perhaps this was also part of the map I didn't buy.) Third, my plan was to hike with my dog to waterfalls, but I wasn't staying in the area where there were any waterfalls close by, so I could only use this for a few waterfalls, and those were ones listed on most websites. Now that I have the book, I will be able to plan my next NC visit to take in more of the lovely falls.

I had the previous version of this book and love this updated 3rd edition so much more. The full color pics are wonderful, but even better are the GPS coordinates to every trailhead and waterfall, which is exactly what I was missing with the 2nd edition. It's extremely thorough in describing the hikes, which I find very helpful since I hike with my dog and need to know if the conditions require climbing or other things he can't do. The organization of the book by region is great with maps in each chapter to show the proximity of the waterfalls to each other; great for planning your route. I love that he rates the beauty of each waterfall, and although subjective, he gives some reasoning for his ratings to help you decide if that hike is worth it. I refer to this book before every hike and highly recommend it to any waterfall enthusiast in NC!

Great book with awesome material! Never ending possibilities. I love that it lists nearby waterfalls. I like that it is printed in color but it also makes it feel like a coffee table book. Which is probably best, would ruin it like my other one if I took it out. Directions are great and it provides different ratings for falls. I have found some stuff in this book that I simply could not find elsewhere!! Thank you Kevin!

Another winner and well worth the wait. Lots of practical info on shooting water, many things that you haven't even thought of yet but are very important. The organization of the various falls within

regions makes it easy to plan a day of shooting. Filled with color images that inspire you to get out and shoot. Well worth the investment if you only head out once or twice to shoot falls but most folks will be hooked on shooting moving water after ingesting a chapter or two of this book.

Kevin is a thorough and thoughtful author. There are plenty of falls listed here that you won't find listed anywhere else and each listing gives detailed hiking info down to geographical coordinates. Gorgeous photography, too.

Kevin Adams continues to provide detailed information and beautiful waterfall photography. I do not have experience with his previous editions, but I have heard that this edition is even better than his wonderful previous editions because he continues to update the information for accuracy and to reflect current conditions at the falls locations, including accessibility. Don't go waterfaling in NC without it!

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