
Colorado Hiking. Colorado Springs Hikes. Colorado Mountains. Off the Beaten Path Series. Author Biography. Christine Loomis is a travel writer, editor, and photographer and was the first travel editor at Parents magazine. She also covered travel for Family Life magazine and was editor-in-chief of Scientific American's Explorations. Christine has also provided family, adventure, and romance travel content and photo essays for websites like Away and Orbitz, and her freelance articles have appeared in many publications, including Endless Vacation, AAA magazines, Roads to Adventure, the San Diego Tribune, and the Washington Times. She is the author of three travel books and sixteen children's books. Her essay, Vincent's Room, was included in the anthology A Mother's World (Travelers' Tales).

Below is an excerpt from the book Off the Beaten Path: A Guide to More Than 1,000 Scenic & Interesting Places Still Uncrowded and Inviting. By the editors of Reader's Digest. If you're planning a California trip to Northern California or the South, this book will give you a lot of inspiration for your vacation. Below are some of the places you might not think of but are excellent examples of going off the beaten track in the Golden State.
