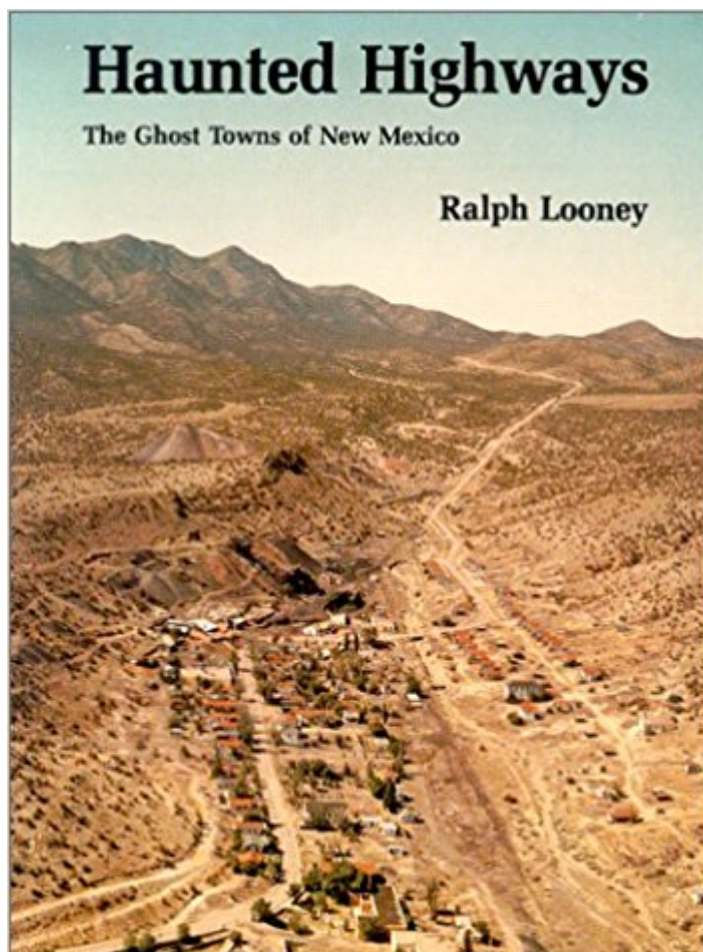


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Haunted Highways: The Ghost Towns Of New Mexico



Synopsis

Praised as the most accurate work on the subject, "Haunted Highways is a combination guidebook and history of more than two-dozen New Mexico ghost towns. Illustrated with 150 historic and contemporary photographs, it includes information on highway routes and an up-to-date map. Ralph Looney's engaging text takes the reader through such towns as Loma Parda (known in the old days as "Sodom on the Mora"); bloody Lincoln Town; Rayado, meeting place of Kit Carson and Lucien Maxwell; Reserve, where Elfego Baca produced his six-gun miracle; Mogollon, "the town that wouldn't die"; Pinos Altos, the city of the Cross; Columbus, which bears the scars of Pancho Villa's raiders; and the parade of ghosts along Highway 14 (once Highway 10): San Pedro, Golden, Madrid, Dolores, and Cerrillos. The book is populated by the likes of Billy the Kid and Sheriff Pat Garrett; Jinglebob John Chisum, Alex McSween, and the patrician Englishman John Tunstall; wild man Clay Allison and hotelkeeper Henry Lambert; Vicente Silva, the treacherous bandit; Col. J. S. Hutchason (Old Hutch); an valiant George Curry. Native Americans are represented by the proud Victorio, Mangas Coloradas, Chief Nana, and Cochise, who led their people in resistance to the coming of the white man. For experienced ghost-town travelers and armchair explorers, this treasure trove of history and adventure offers hours of engrossing reading.

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I love New Mexico and anything I can read about it's history is fascinating to me.

Excellent book on ghost towns. Mr. Looney goes into more detail about the history than other books on ghost towns.

Thank you

This is a well researched book with lots of pictures and information not found in many books. I found it of particular interest because of the inclusion of, not only Shakespeare, but also Steins and Valedon, or, as we knew it "The Old 85". These were places where my brother, sisters, and I explored during formative years of our lives while our Father was stationed at the POW camp near Lordsburg, and reminisced about in our book "Outside the Fence: Stories of an Army Officer's Kids and WWW POW Camps". This book was a pleasant revisiting of places we loved. This book provides nice glimpses into New Mexico's rich heritage. Marilyn Snethen Clark

For anyone who loves New Mexico, this book is a real treat. It has the interesting history of the Ghost towns and near ghost towns that I found very informative. It was fun to read. This book is now out of print so get yours while some are still available. I wish I had this book when I was visiting many of the sites mentioned in the book.

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