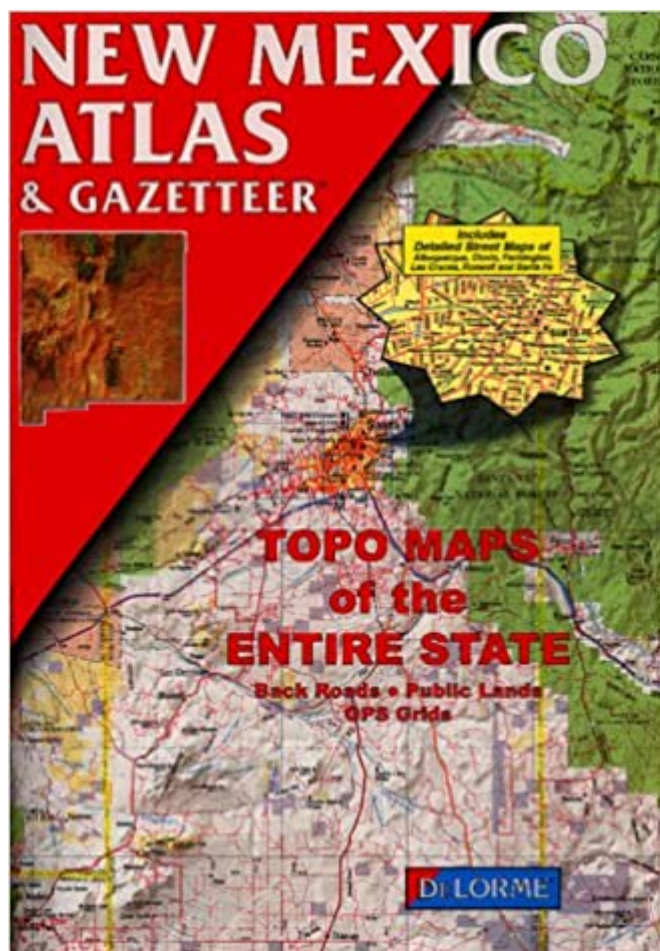


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I used this to explore back roads in New Mexico during a couple of NSBF balloon campaigns out of Fort Sumner. It never let me down, but when I compared my copy to a new edition that was just purchased at the truck stop in Clovis it appeared as though a lot of details have disappeared. Not entirely sure why that has happened though.

Over the period of several decades of adult life I've visited all of the 48 contiguous states. Because I

like to get off the beaten track and see what a state is really like, I generally purchase a Delorme atlas and gazetteer before I go to a particular state, which is why I made sure I procured a New Mexico gazetteer. Now, using a roadmap is fine if all you want is to stay on the major highways. In fact, it's preferable to a Delorme gazetteer because it's more compact. But it's a lot more fun to get on the backroads, which aren't shown on a state map or a road atlas. And that's where the gazetteer becomes most useful. And in many cases essential, seeing that in a state like New Mexico you might not encounter another human being for miles and miles. The gazetteer shows the backroads, as well as many natural features. And because it's a topographical map, it's possible to determine in advance what sort of terrain you'll be encountering.

If you like to travel on dirt roads like me, then the DeLorme is almost useless, I have been using the Benchmark Atlases for years and have found that nothing even comes close to the detail of those, unfortunately they only make them for the western states. The Delorme's show back roads as a small line that is barely visible to the naked eye, and it's up to you to travel them to figure out if they are paved, dirt, gravel, 4wd, forestry or if they even exist any longer.

I found the NM version of this book lacking. Yes it is detailed a lot better than previous attempts at making a atlas of NM. But most forest & county roads are not labeled. It also doesn't seem to be as complete, when comparing it to the CO version. On the other hand if you need a all in one map of NM, this is it. No one else comes close.

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