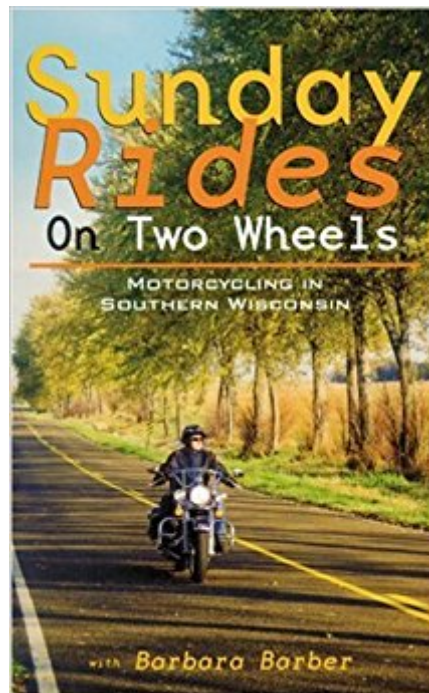




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Sunday Rides On Two Wheels: Motorcycling In Southern Wisconsin



Synopsis

"I'm old enough to remember when a Sunday ride was the family's afternoon entertainment. . . . Now my Sunday riding is done on a motorcycle. And even though my ride may take place on a Tuesday, it still has a Sunday-ride feel—the leisurely pace, the sun on my head, the wind in my face and the sense of exploration—riding for the love of riding."—Barbara Barber
Eighteen unforgettable routes along riverways and ridges, down rustic roads and coulees, and over 1800 miles of southern Wisconsin's best rides

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Customer Reviews

"Sunday Rides on Two Wheels is a delightful, informative, and important biking book. Barbara Barber covers the roadways, byways, small back roads, and large highways in a most entertaining manner. Her maps, guidelines, and directions are crystal clear. If you ride in Wisconsin or surrounding neighborhoods, you will find her road coverage invaluable. Don't leave home on your bike without it."—Barbara Joans, author of *Bike Lust: Harleys, Women, and American Society*
"This book, when used as a guide to these scenic areas, will provide both the motorcyclist and the automobile driver with many pleasurable hours touring these picturesque areas of our state."—Dennis H. Hafeman, vice president, Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club

"Re-riding the routes for this second edition was like visiting an old friend. I wondered why I had waited so long to do it. I found some major changes, like the bypasses around Lake Geneva

and La Crescent. There were nice surprises of new pavement and a few "oh, dears" at crumbling country roads—all part of the adventure of motorcycling. I've ridden in a lot of beautiful places, and southern Wisconsin is still one of the best. It draws me back with its winding roads, rural landscape, and friendly people. Barbara Barber—This text refers to the Paperback edition.

I have to say this book is packed with a bunch of great rides, for day trippers from Chicago or folks who live in the area and want some new rides this is a great resource. Some pretty cool spots are called out too. Here are my gripes... The book is just really poor quality and would not survive a handful of trips in my saddle bags. All the travel books I have bought are built tough with a nice sturdy cover and thick pages so it would take a beating, this book feels like it was made at Kinkos or by someone who took a night school class on book binding. The pages are thin and the spiral binding is plastic junk. Really not trying to be mean, but I've spent half as much on nicer quality map books. Also, being a man who appreciates a book that was designed by someone who understands typography I can say the person who did this book does not. They used Comic Sans for the introduction...It's a Mickey Mouse quality book, but the rides are fun.

A good way to clean out your mind.

Provides a good sampling of the winding roads in the SE section of WI. Some stops may not be in existence anymore (recent economy, so be sure to Google before planning a stop for a group.) Road names/direction may be confusing occasionally, Be sure to view on map or map software when planning a route so not to be confused. As others mentioned, the paperback is not a durable vehicle to use on a ride. Put the route in your GPS, and put the book in the side saddle. Good roads, good book. No real complaints.

I have to honestly say that this book is one of the best I have ever spent my money on. I have been riding motorcycles for about two years and in that time I have tried to find backroads in the suburbs of Chicago and southern Wisconsin using detailed maps, but have found nothing but construction and traffic. I noticed this book on Amazon and right away thought it would be another waste of money, but to my surprise it was nothing but fun to read. Barbara clearly explains each area of travel with history, facts, opinions, road conditions, contact information, pictures, etc. and the maps and directions are very clear. From the very start I could not wait to start up my Honda F4i sportbike and hit the road.

My first tour was the Breakout Ride in the Kenosha area which was an absolute blast to ride. Being from the northern parts of Illinois with nothing but rushed traffic, very secluded roads and beautiful scenery were all I saw the whole day, which is what riding should consist of. I had loads of fun going down the few Rustic roads on the tour, with the overhanging trees and hills and curves that took my breath away more than once. It was such a great change of pace to have this much fun on my bike and I will definitely be making this a weekend activity until the winter comes. I cannot wait to take some further trips up to the Kettle Moraine area and even further up near LaCrosse. A few things to look out for are the missing road signs in Wisconsin which occur frequently in the remote parts and a few of the directions in the book had a couple right/left turns switched. Also, the mileage was off on a few of the roads which weren't really a big problem once you figured out where you were going. Overall though, thanks to Barbara's experiences and research, she has made it possible for any kind of rider to enjoy a fun and scenic bike tour. I will definitely recommend this book to my group of friends and I would recommend it to any rider looking to have some fun on two wheels. Great job Barbara!!!

Love to ride my motorbike around northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. Even used this on a rainy Sunday in the car to do some exploring - some of the information is outdated but the twisties are enjoyable anyway

Bought it as a gift for a relative who bikes. He loved it.

Great maps and info for day Drives in Wi. (Bike or car)

I found the descriptions in the book accurate and very satisfying. Great resource and the kind of information that makes for an appreciation of surroundings.

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