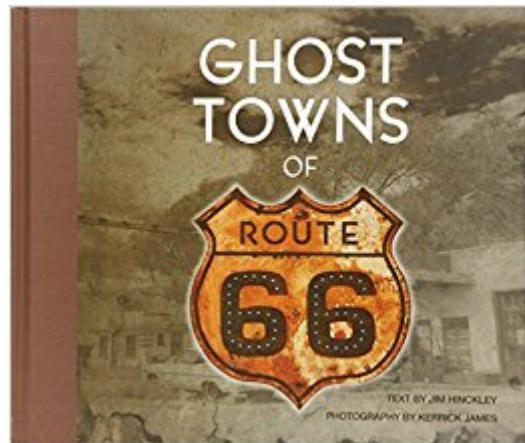


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# Ghost Towns Of Route 66



## **Synopsis**

Ghost towns lie all along the Mother Road. The quintessential boom-and-bust highway of the American West, Route 66 once hosted a thriving array of boom towns built around oil wells, railroad stops, cattle ranches, resorts, stagecoach stops, and gold mines. Join Route 66 expert Jim Hinckley as he tours more than 25 ghost towns, rich in stories and history, complemented by gorgeous sepia-tone and color photography by Kerrick James. Also includes directions and travel tips for your ghost-town explorations along Route 66. Explore the beauty and nostalgia of these abandoned communities along America's favorite highway!

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The quintessential boom-and-bust highway of the American West, Route 66 once hosted a thriving array of boomtowns built around oil mines, railroad stops, cattle ranches, resorts, stagecoach stops, and gold mines. Illustrated with gorgeous sepia-tone and color photography, this book tours dozens of ghost towns, rich in stories and history. Explore the beauty and nostalgia of these abandoned communities along America's favorite highway!

Since his childhood, Jim Hinckley dreamed of being an author. After numerous detours into truck driving, mining, ranching, and a variety of other endeavors, he turned to writing a weekly column on automotive history for his local newspaper, the Kingman Daily Miner, in his adopted hometown of Kingman, Arizona. From that initial endeavor more than twenty years ago, Hinckley has written extensively on his two primary passions: automotive history and travel. He is a regular contributor to

Route 66, American Road, Hemmings Classic Car, and Old Cars Weekly, and he was an associate editor at Cars & Parts. Book reviews and original features on automotive history and travel can be found on his blog, [www.route66chronicles.blogspot.com](http://www.route66chronicles.blogspot.com) and on his popular podcast, Jim Hinckley's America & Route 66 Adventures. Kerrick James has been a professional photographer for more than twenty years. He specializes in travel imagery, and he is a regular contributor to Arizona Highways, Sunset, National Geographic Adventure, and Alaska Airlines Magazine. He lives in Mesa, Arizona.

Our family had traveled ole 66 back in the day (1957, 1960, and into the late '60s) between Calif and Oklahoma. I remember some of these spots by name, but being so very young, I looked more than read and I look back at America thru kid's eyes. Gave me a chance to wander back in time. So many untold stories, just wish the book didn't end. Thanks for a great trip!

This is a great book filling a gap in the "what to see" when taking the Route 66 journey. While most books about Route 66 touch on the rapidly disappearing sights on the 'Mother Road', none of them deals with the 'Ghost Town' aspects as well or as completely as 'Ghost Towns'. We have made the entire journey once, and have plans in the works to once again experience the Route. This book is a very welcome addition to our library and will be of great help in helping us focus on, and find, the places we are seeking. We highly recommend this read, whether you plan to take the trip, or just like to read some history of this great, old road.

Lots of great pictures and very informative!

Good book

This book is beautiful , the images are striking , I cant wait for next year to do Route 66 after seeing a snapshot of what awaits me . It is so great to see some of the highlights of a trip ive planned my whole life for . The only fault is there isnt quite enough description of pictures , but saying that its one of the best books ive seen on the route

I'm a big 66 fan and I love this book. I've been to many of the places in the book and didn't know about many more. Makes me anxious to take a trip and see what I've missed. I learned so much more about the towns and the people that built the Mother Road.

It is helpful and fairly complete. The writing style is a little boring.

The book is a gift to someone who did Route 66. The pictures are great.

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