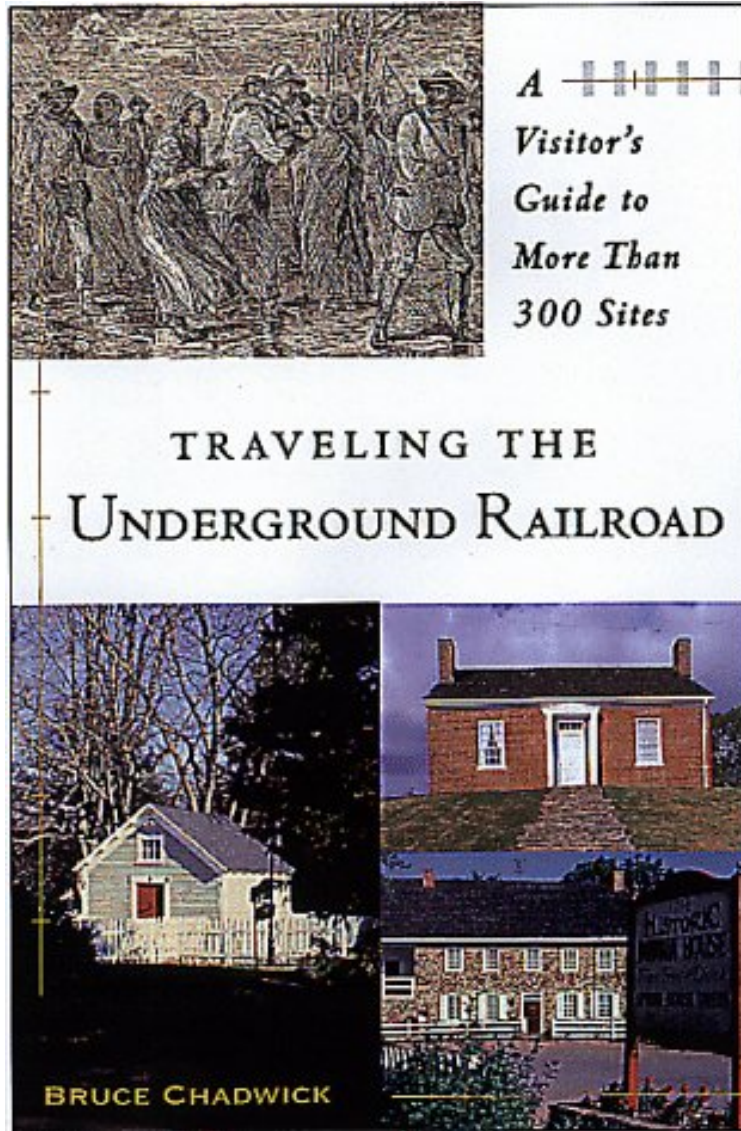


# Traveling The Underground Railroad: A Visitor's Guide to More Than 300 Sites

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I had this book from the library and am finding it fascinating. It lasts a while, too. I'm a fast reader, but the book is so thorough as a history (seems to be, anyway) and so well written that I'm taking my time and savoring it. My great-grandfather was an Abolitionist and wrote editorials in our town's newspaper to further that cause; in southern Indiana being firm on this subject gave him inconvenience and some danger, as well as good support from like-minded citizens. So it's interesting to read about the true giants of that movement and the sympathizers (even some in slave states) who enabled many fleeing slaves to reach freedom. It is also interesting to learn how slaves transmitted information and advice about escape, deprived as nearly all were of usual public information (printed publications, civic meetings, written correspondence). This little volume is quite factual (as opposed to a recent novel which features steel rails in tunnels!), and a rich read. I'm so glad I ran across it! Though I do a lot of reading library books on my Kindle Fire because it's so very convenient, there's still much to be said for an hour spent in a real library because it's a much greater opportunity for serendipitous finds like this one.

A dramatic account of the Underground Railroad, used by as many as 100,000 runaway slaves in their flight to freedom, this book also serves as a guide to over 100 of the Underground Railroad sites open to the public in the United States and Canada. Photos maps.

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The history of the Underground Railroad in the United States and Canada illustrates the best and the worst aspects of the American people, from the viciousness of slave owners to the determination of slaves. Creating a travel guide to this intricate system is difficult because many of the sites are unknown, no longer exist, or are in private homes not open to the public. To compensate, Chadwick focuses roughly one-third of the book on history. The rest is divided geographically into site entries. Each entry includes a brief history of the site's importance, information on whether it is open to the public, and, if so, a telephone number for information. The types of sites vary, from actual homes that harbored slaves to memorial parks to Harriet Tubman's home. Though Chadwick states that his purpose is to outline day or weekend trips, he includes no maps or directions; the result is interesting as history but less successful as a guidebook. Charles L. Blockson's *Hippocrene Guide to the Underground Railroad* (1994) offers a more complete listing of sites with telephone numbers for each.  
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