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CANYON WILDERNESS OF THE SOUTHWEST

A Traveler's Mini Edition

By Jon Ortner

Introduction by Greer K. Chesher

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"This is an indescribably sublime book, a testament to the power of our saved and sacred places to transform our lives, rearrange our molecules and make of us all, as John Muir would say, "kindred spirits." —Award-winning documentary filmmaker, Ken Burns

An awe-inspiring book, **CANYON WILDERNESS OF THE SOUTHWEST**—A Traveler's Mini Edition (June, \$18.95, Welcome Books) takes us on a visual odyssey through one of the most breathtaking collections of canyons and desert wilderness found anywhere on earth.

Beautifully photographed by award-winning photographer Jon Ortner, this spectacular book features the dazzling beauty of the untamed West in over 200 images, including 100 panoramas and 10 gatefolds.

Shot in over 60 locations across a 130,000-square-mile area of Utah and Arizona, the book features the famed national and state parks—Bryce, Zion, Cedar Breaks, Capitol Reef, Arches, Canyonlands, and Grand Canyon—as well as the less accessible and relatively unexplored wilderness areas, BLM holdings, and Native American tribal lands.

From the vast, majestic canyons, to the brilliant, swirling colors of the Grand Staircase and Vermilion Cliffs, Ortner shares his distinctive vision of one of America's greatest natural treasures.

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CANYON WILDERNESS OF THE SOUTHWEST is an inspiring homage to the vivid beauty of the untamed West—for travelers, geologists, nature enthusiasts, photographers and anyone who is astonished by the Southwest.

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Jon Ortner's award-winning images and stories have appeared in numerous magazines, including *GEO*, *Travel & Leisure*, *Communication Arts* and *Architectural Digest*. His previous books, *Where Every Breath is a Prayer* (STC), *Angkor* (Abbeville), and *Buddha* (Welcome Books) are the culmination of numerous journeys to the far corners of the Himalayas and Southeast Asia. A compilation of his New York City photographs was published in *Manhattan Dawn & Dusk* (STC). In his travels to America's Southwest, Ortner has found the spiritual vistas he sought in his international pilgrimages.

Greer K. Chesher's book *Heart of the Desert Wild: Grand Staircase—Escalante National Monument* won the Utah Book Award for nonfiction in 2001. Having ranged for the National Park Service for 20 years—everywhere from Bandelier National Monument to Grand Canyon National Parks—she has written several books about her experiences, including *The Desert's Hoodoo Heart* and *Bryce Canyon Impressions*. Her latest book is *Zion: A Storied Land*. She currently lives in Rockville, Utah.

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