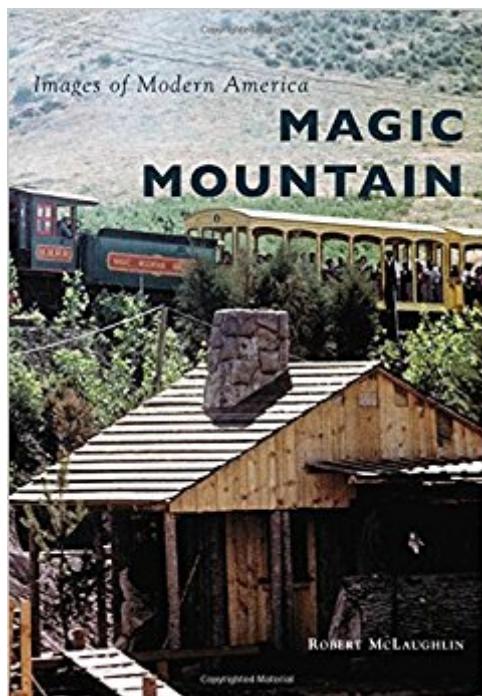


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# Magic Mountain (Images Of Modern America)



## Synopsis

Nestled in the foothills of Golden, Colorado, construction began on Magic Mountain just two years after Disneyland's opening season. Through never-before-seen photographs, Magic Mountain tells the exciting story of the first attempt in America to spread the Disneyland model. The dream of a theme park in Colorado was conceived by Walter F. Cobb and designed by Marco Engineering of Los Angeles. The park saw tens of thousands of visitors, even during the construction period. They witnessed live gunfights and playhouse melodramas and took a ride on the Magic Mountain railroad. Unfortunately, the park closed at the end of its premier season in 1960, but it would eventually evolve into Heritage Square. For over 40 years, this venue brought fun and entertainment to the young and young at heart, following Cobb's vision of a clean, entertaining, and educational park for the whole family.

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"Magic Mountain, a new book that captures the history and memories of the park, has been published by Arcadia Publishing for its Images of Modern America series. Author Robert McLaughlin is a veteran of theme park books for Arcadia, specifically Marco Engineering theme parks, having published two books each about the original Pleasure Island (Friends of Pleasure Island) in Wakefield, Massachusetts, and Freedomland U.S.A. in New York City....Robert McLaughlin's Magic Mountain provides a solid summary of the growing trend in theme parks at that time. The timeline began with Disneyland and continued with the parks created by Wood's Marco

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