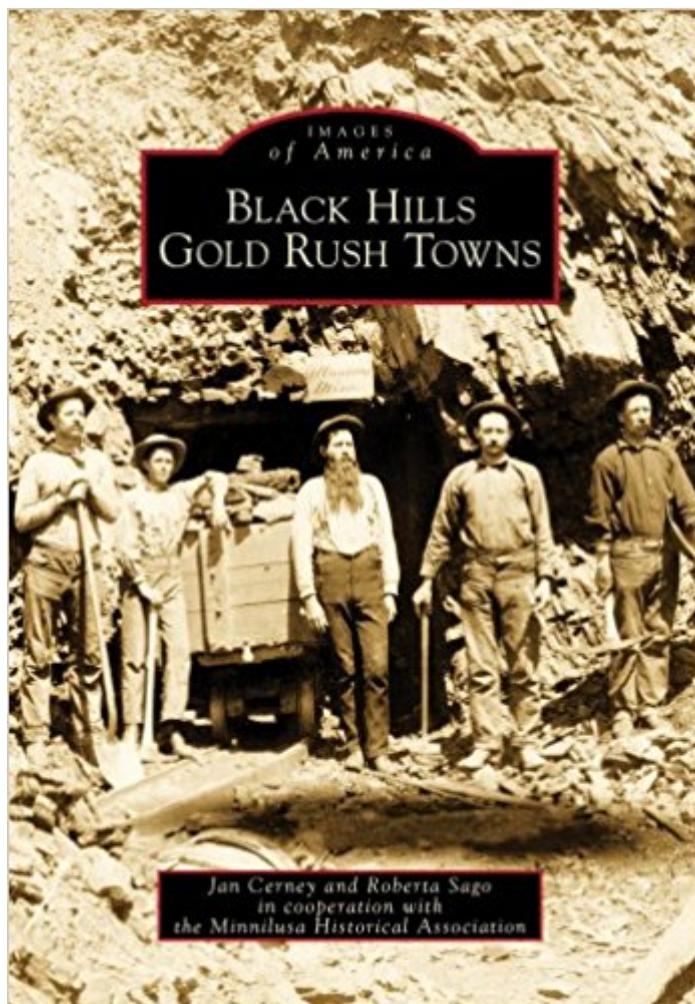


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# Black Hills Gold Rush Towns (Images Of America)



## **Synopsis**

Paha Sapa, the Black Hills, sacred land of the Lakota Indians, had long been the destination for prospectors. In 1874, Gen. George Armstrong Custer conducted an expedition into the Black Hills confirming rumors of gold. The findings of the expedition were widely publicized and the gold rush began. Unable to stem the tide of prospectors seeking their fortunes, the federal government opened Black Hills Native American land to settlement in 1877. During the rush, from 1874 to 1879, unknown numbers of mines were worked and more than 400 mining camps and towns sprang up in the gulches overnight. When the mines played out, most of the settlements died. Black Hills Gold Rush Towns looks at the mining towns that once flourished.

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This is the seventh book Jan Cerney has written for the Images of America series. Cerney lives on a ranch near the Badlands with her husband Bob. Roberta Sago is the special collections librarian and archivist for the Leland D. Case Library for Western Historical Studies and University Archives at Black Hills State University. Prior to coming to South Dakota, she worked as the manuscript librarian for the University of Texas at El Paso and in similar positions in Washington, D.C. Special thanks go to the Leland D. Case Library and the South Dakota State Historical Society Archives. Black Hills Gold Rush Towns is Sago's second book for Arcadia Publishing.

I loved looking at photos in this book!!

Great book

After just returning from a trip to the Black Hills, I had to buy this book. The book was everything I thought it would be. Great book, very interesting.

The Images of America series is always a good summary of the area it covers. Great starting point to go deeper from there if you wish.

I bought this book as it has pictures of our ancestors in it during the height of the mining in the Black Hills. The seller shipped it promptly and it was a good transaction. Thanks!

Black Hills Gold Rush Towns is a 126 page collection of historical photographs. The photographs and written descriptions depict what mining was like in the Black Hills between the 1870's and about 1920. The photographs are wonderful. However, a student of history will be disappointed in the lack of depth in the written descriptions that accompany the photographs. Sorely lacking is a history of the towns, a description of the people involved, and the methods employed in those people's pursuits.

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