Of the five Mexican states that the State Department tells Americans not to visit, one, Tamaulipas, borders the USA. It shares a 230-mile border with Texas, and murder, armed robbery, carjacking, kidnapping, extortion and sexual assault commonly occur, the State Department says. The country’s remaining 15 states and its capital city, Mexico City, also have a lesser warning: "Exercise increased caution." Such increased caution is advised in Quintana Roo state which includes popular tourist areas Cancun, Cozumel, Playa del Carmen, Tulum and the Riviera Maya. Be wary of beverages and snacks offered by taxi drivers, strangers or new acquaintances, because they "may contain drugs that could put you at risk of sexual assault and robbery," the government advises. New Mexico is a state in the Southwestern United States; its capital is Santa Fe, which was founded in 1610 as capital of Nuevo México (itself established as a province of New Spain in 1598), while its largest city is Albuquerque with its accompanying metropolitan area. It is one of the Mountain States and shares the Four Corners region with Utah, Colorado, and Arizona. New Mexico is also bordered by the state of Texas to the east-southeast, Oklahoma to the northeast, and the Mexican states of Top reviews from the United States. There was a problem filtering reviews right now. Please try again later. 1ceterrified. 1.0 out of 5 stars Author really didn’t. . . Reviewed in the United States on October 18, 2010. Verified Purchase. I found this book boring and chaotic. Did this guy really win prizes for writing? I think someone should look that up in a fact-checking authority. I live in New Mexico, and have all my life— we’re not ALL from Santa Fe with that California attitude. Mr. McCord has captured the special essence of New Mexico, which is nominally part of the USA, but really almost a separate country and culture all to itself. One could put the case that N.M. is really 2 countries: 1. N.M. in the summers and 2. N.M. in the winters. New Mexico, constituent state of the U.S., which became the 47th state of the union in 1912. It ranks fifth among the states in terms of total area and is bounded by Colorado to the north, Oklahoma and Texas to the east, Texas and Mexico to the south, and Arizona to the west. Its capital is Santa Fe. Please refer to the appropriate style manual or other sources if you have any questions. Select Citation Style. MLA APA Chicago Manual of Style. Alternative Title: Land of Enchantment. New Mexico, constituent state of the United States of America. It became the 47th state of the union in 1912. "The Other State." "Author and journalist Richard McCord is a natural storyteller. These sketches of his, lovingly stitched together, portray quirky, unpredictable New Mexicans, and especially their unconventional capital of Santa Fe. The characters who briefly walk through these pages each cast a ray of light on the human condition, and occasionally even evoke a chuckle. McCord's book is as absorbing as it is genuine." (MARC SIMMONS, historian) Raised in Georgia, trained in New York, Richard McCord found home in New Mexico in 1971. Three years later he founded the weekly Santa Fe Reporter, which soon won a national reputation for excellence. Now a freelance, he celebrates the place he loves.