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## Press Release

### A Story Written in Stone

One of the significant documents of southwestern history is written on something much more lasting than paper. It is written in stone, and it is called El Morro—the headland.

Also known as Inscription Rock, El Morro, protected as part of El Morro National Monument, serves as an original document to the many stories that have shaped the culture of the Southwest. First, the ancestral Pueblo people left their mark on the great rock. They left images that stretch back to the stories of prehistoric times.

Like those that came before them, the Spaniards and later Americans also left their marks on El Morro as they passed by. They scrawled passages that mark some of the great moments of western history. Their inscriptions record war, exploration, and even hunger and death.

With a new, refreshing design, *El Morro National Monument* describes some of the circumstances that led people to this great marker and what the context for their travels may have been. The book describes why El Morro is an important treasure of the National Park Service.

*El Morro National Monument* by Dan Murphy  
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