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**CLIMBING THE SEVEN SUMMITS**

A GUIDE TO EACH CONTINENT'S HIGHEST PEAK

AVAILABLE IN JUNE

The first comprehensive guidebook of climbing routes to the highest peak on each of the world's seven continents

- First and only guidebook to climbing all Seven Summits
- Full color with 125 photographs and 24 maps including a map for each summit route
- Essential information on primary climbing routes and travel logistics for mountaineers, with historical and cultural anecdotes for armchair readers



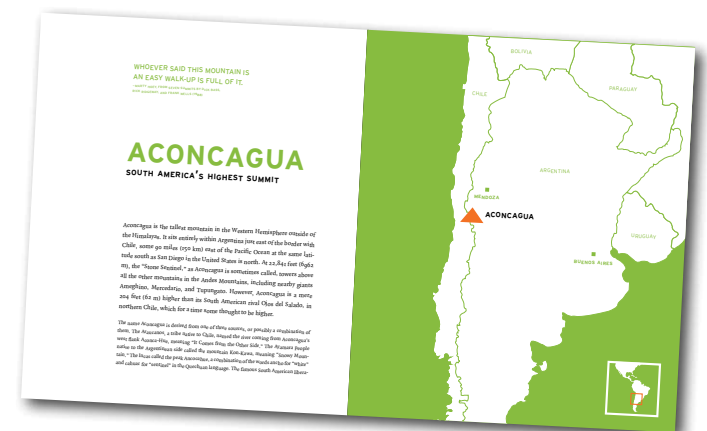
Aconcagua. Denali. Elbrus. Everest. Kilimanjaro. Kosciuszko. Vinson. To a climber, these mountains are known as the "Seven Summits"—the highest peaks on each continent. And from Antarctica to Alaska, Nepal to Tanzania, each year thousands of climbers from all over the world attempt at least one of them, while a growing number have plans to climb each and every mountain.

Drawing on years of experience, veteran Seven Summits mountain guide Mike Hamill describes overall considerations for expedition planning and high-altitude trips, gear recommendations, tips on international travel and logistics, and estimates of financial costs. In-depth descriptions of each of the Seven Summits include a regional map, a map of the primary climbing route or a route overlay on a photo, and a sample climbing itinerary that covers peak-specific technical climbing tips and what to expect on summit day. Throughout Hamill's descriptions, renowned alpinists offer their own advice: Eric Simonson on Everest, Vern Tejas on Denali, and Melissa Arno on a female's perspective of expedition planning. Hamill also includes complete information about the "other" Seven Summit, the Carstensz Pyramid in New Guinea; climbing facts and figures for each peak; a history of the Seven Summits challenge; and a "compare and contrast" chart that reveals how the peaks stack up against each other.

From the first steps of trip dreaming, to figuring out gear and plane tickets, to kicking those final, sublime steps up to the snowy top of Denali or Aconcagua—this is the one-and-only authoritative book to guide readers to all of the world's Seven Summits.

**Mike Hamill** is a year-round guide for International Mountain Guides and the Alaska Mountaineering School. He has traveled and climbed extensively on all seven continents, including at least two times up each of the big Seven. Through the course of a year Hamill regularly guides clients up each of the Seven Summits, and with his IMG colleagues he was recently featured on the Discovery Channel's popular "Everest: Beyond the Limit." He lives in Seattle.

352 pages, 8½ x 10, 125 color photographs, 24 maps, paperbound, \$29.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-648-8. SPORTS/MOUNTAINEERING. Rights: W.



MOUNTAINEERS BOOKS



SKIPSTONE



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RECREATION. LIFESTYLE. ADVOCACY.

It's all about the outdoors.



## Excerpted from *The Bar Mitzvah and the Beast*

The next step was to add the panniers and trailer, and ride with weight. At this point, the tandem's metaphor, a Ford F350 truck, was jettisoned and replaced by the bike's true name, the Beast. If it was on the heavy side without panniers, there are no adjectives to describe it fully loaded. The tired allusion of Sisyphus did not do justice to pedaling the fully-loaded Beast up Cantelow. It was more akin to pedaling through seven-inch-thick, newly-poured cement. We crawled up Cantelow at 3.2 miles per hour, the same pace of my eighty-year-old mother's daily constitutional. The silver lining: we didn't need to get off and push.

The goal of a fifteen miles per hour average was discarded like a banana peel on the side of the road. Twelve miles per hour was the new goal, but doubtful. Ten miles per hour seemed more likely. Six hours of actual riding time. With breaks and everything, probably on the road eight hours a day. In other words, good-bye to those matinees. I didn't care. Most summer movies suck.

While both Djina and Yonah's bikes worked like the well-tuned machines they were, the Beast, well, I was not as right as I could have been about buying a used tandem. This bike had been some couple's workhorse for twenty years and was tired and ready to go to pasture. Components failed on a regular basis. I replaced chains, shifters, cables, and reconfigured the brakes. And still it got grumpy at times.

"You can still get a new bike," Djina offered.

And admit I was wrong? Hah! Let facts dictate behavior? Never! Sure the bike wasn't perfect, but what did she expect? It wasn't new. It just needed some TLC. It was still significantly cheaper than a new bike, and it rode pretty well except for the problems that brought me to curse it and get busted by the family's language cop.

Solomon's mission was to stamp out curse words. If someone said, "D@+#!" "S&'t!" or other non-synagogue word, he shouted, "Checkmark!" hoping that through his intervention we would clean our diction and substitute approved exclamations such as "Gosh darn!" But when you strain up a hill at three miles per hour, and need one entire breath for every single pedal rotation, and you can't take your hands off the handlebars long enough to wipe the sweat stinging your eyes, and the hill becomes even steeper, and you steel yourself for more pain as you shift into the lowest gear you have, and the chain decides at that moment, that very moment, to leap off the chain ring and wedge itself between the chain ring and the frame as if it had been superglued into place, and your pedals come to a dead stop, and so do you, and you fall, and your knee, hand, and shoulder get bloodied, and all those part replacements and adjustments you made over the last month prove themselves worthless, then "Gosh darn!" or "Jeez!" just won't cut it. The only words to act as balm are "G@!@+#! mother"%çking piece of S&'t!"

And then standing above his sprawled-out father is Solomon, hands on hips. "Checkmark, checkmark, checkmark."



MATT BIERS-ARIEL

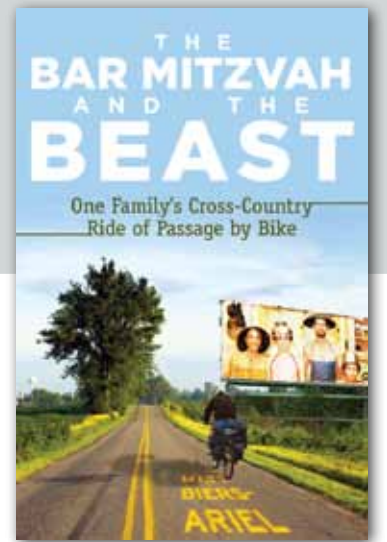
## THE BAR MITZVAH AND THE BEAST

ONE FAMILY'S CROSS-COUNTRY RIDE OF PASSAGE BY BIKE

AVAILABLE IN APRIL

Family road-trip plot summary: "Man plans, God laughs" (old Jewish adage). Oh, and bicycles are involved too.

- A light-hearted and hilarious memoir of an ordinary family's extraordinary journey
- Promotes cycling, conservation, and getting kids outside



Amateur bike rider, father of two, and everyday public school teacher Matt Biers-Ariel never dreamed of riding a bike across the United States. But then his hard-to-impress teenage son, Yonah, refused to have a bar mitzvah as he approached age thirteen. No dancing with grandma or chanting traditional prayers? Something had to be done to celebrate this rite of passage.

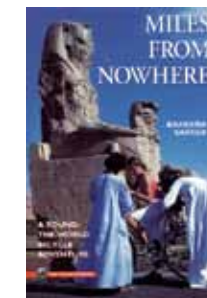
So Matt, his wife Djina, Yonah, and younger son Solomon, decided to saddle up for a physical *ride* of passage—one that would take them 3,804 miles by bicycle from the waters of the Pacific Ocean, across the Rockies, through Midwest small towns, and all the way to Washington D.C. Armed with ibuprofen, several gallons of Gatorade, and one unpredictable tandem bike (the "Beast"), the Biers-Ariel family pedaled across the middle of America, chatting with locals along the way, roasting marshmallows at campgrounds, and quarrelling over the state of climate change, religious identity, and several flat tires. They also collected thousands of signatures on a self-made global-warming petition calling for the United States to undergo its own rite of passage—one of energy conservation.

*The Bar Mitzvah and the Beast* is a funny, thoughtful memoir of one ordinary American family's extraordinary journey by bicycle, and an enlightening, heart-warming exploration of the bond between a spiritual, nature-loving father and his ambivalent, computer-game loving son.

**Matt Biers-Ariel** claims to be "the author of four books, an above average English teacher, an excellent father (occasionally), and a fairly decent husband." Prior to becoming a public school teacher, he held a variety of educational positions in the Jewish community. He lives in Davis, California.

256 pages, 5½ x 8½, route overview, paperback, \$16.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-672-3. ADVENTURE NARRATIVE/BIKING. Rights: W.

Cyclists will also love (see page 39)



**MILES FROM NOWHERE**  
A Round-the-World  
Bicycle Adventure



**WHERE THE PAVEMENT ENDS**  
One Woman's Bicycle Trip through  
Mongolia, China & Vietnam

MIKE MCQUAIDE

**75 CLASSIC RIDES: WASHINGTON**  
THE BEST ROAD BIKING ROUTES

AVAILABLE IN MAY



JIM MOORE

**75 CLASSIC RIDES: OREGON**  
THE BEST ROAD BIKING ROUTES

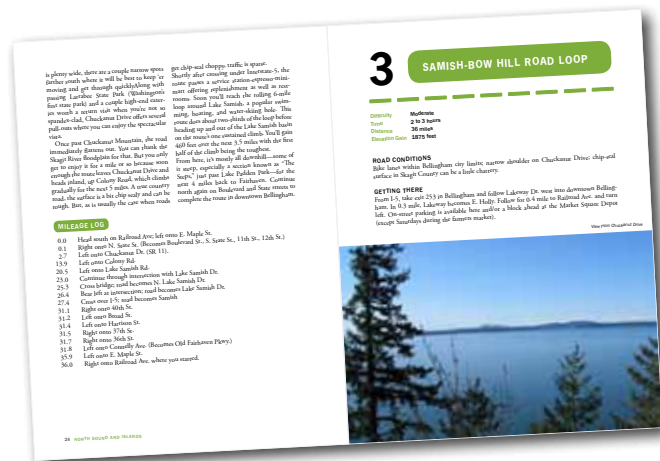
AVAILABLE IN JUNE

The “classic” cycle routes for two of the nation’s top biking destinations

- Cycling routes that range from family-friendly paved bicycle paths to epic mountain-pass climbs
- Easy-reference lists such as “Best Family-Friendly Rides,” “Top Climbing Challenges,” “Best Water Views,” and more
- Full color with maps, photographs, and lively turn-by-turn descriptions

From a 50-mile route around Orcas Island to an after-work ride through a Portland neighborhood, these new cycling guidebooks offer truly classic routes for two of the nation’s most bike-crazy states. Whether you’re soaring down a Cascade’s pass or pumping along a frothy sea coast, you can bet your bottom bracket that you’ll find miles of enjoyment in each of these *75 Classic Rides*.

*75 Classic Rides* is the new Mountaineers Books series authored by passionate local cyclists who’ve put thousands of miles on their bikes to bring you the very best road cycling routes across their state. The focus is on one-day rides (a mix of loops and one-way courses), but you’ll also find suggestions for link-ups and some inspiring longer routes for touring, including at least one cross-state route. Terrain varies from flat, paved trails to epic mountain challenges.



Each route description starts with the basic essentials to get you going: a brief overview, full-color map, elevation profile, difficulty level, round-trip distance, road conditions, and advice on the best season to ride. Full narrative descriptions tell what sights to expect, best towns for food or a cup of coffee, safety info on road shoulders and bike lanes, as well as turn-by-turn descriptions and mileage logs. Sample routes in *75 Classic Rides* include:

**Washington:**

- > Packwood-Paradise-Stevens Canyon
- > Skagit (Mostly) Flats
- > Hurricane Ridge
- > Yakima Canyon
- > Walla Walla-Middle Waitsburg Loop

**Oregon:**

- > Corvallis-Alsea Falls Loop
- > Crater Lake Rim Road
- > Wallowa Mountain Rambler
- > Portland’s Skyline Blvd. Traverse
- > Astoria-Youngs Bay

**Mike McQuaide** has written outdoor, travel, and lifestyle stories for *Adventure Cyclist*, *Sunset*, and *Outside*, and he is a frequent contributor to *The Seattle Times* “NW Weekend.” The author of five other guidebooks on outdoor travel, McQuaide is an avid road cyclist and mountain biker, with a few Ironman triathlons under his bike chain, as well as a finish of the 200-mile “Seattle to Portland Bicycle Classic” in a single day. Check out his adventures at [www.mcqview.blogspot.com](http://www.mcqview.blogspot.com). McQuaide lives with his family in Bellingham, Washington.



**Jim Moore** pens cycling-related articles that appear regularly in *The Oregonian* and is a contributor to Cycle Oregon’s publications and Travel Oregon’s RideOregonRide.com. A member of Portland Wheelmen, Bicycle Transportation Alliance, and other cycling associations, not surprisingly, Jim’s also the guy who gets called on to plan bike tours for all his friends every year. He lives in Portland, Oregon.



**75 Classic Rides: Washington** 288 pages, 6¾ x 9, 100 color photographs, 75 elevation profiles, 76 color maps, paperbound, \$21.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-506-1. GUIDEBOOK/WASHINGTON CYCLING. Rights: W.

**75 Classic Rides: Oregon** 288 pages, 6¾ x 9, 100 color photographs, 75 elevation profiles, 76 color maps, paperbound, \$21.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-650-1. GUIDEBOOK/OREGON CYCLING. Rights: W.

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**BIKING PUGET SOUND**  
50 Rides from Olympia to the San Juans



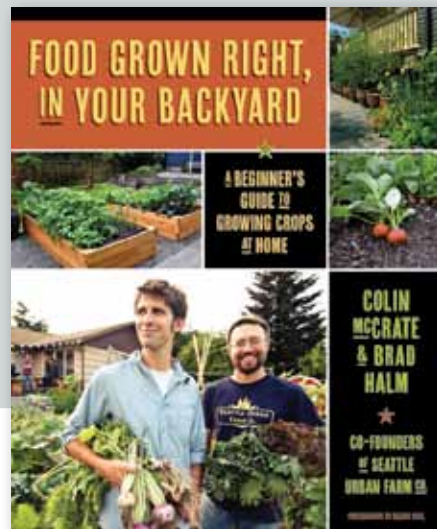
**BICYCLING THE PACIFIC COAST**  
A Complete Route Guide, Canada to Mexico, 4th Ed.

COLIN MCCRATE AND BRAD HALM, CO-FOUNDERS OF SEATTLE URBAN FARM CO.

PHOTOGRAPHY BY HILARY DAHL

# FOOD GROWN RIGHT, IN YOUR BACKYARD

A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO GROWING CROPS AT HOME



AVAILABLE IN MAY

Easy gardening instruction for saving money and eating better by growing your own food in the city

- Full color with instructional photographs and garden-design illustrations
- Easy, inspiring intro for first-timers who want to grow their own food while saving money and time
- Written by the founders of the nationally recognized Seattle Urban Farm Company

As the founders behind Seattle Urban Farm Company, Colin McCrate and Brad Halm have heard it all: My backyard is too small; how can I make space for a garden? Do I really need to buy fertilizer? What on earth is that creature crawling on the tomatoes? My crops took off and the zucchini are in the sidewalk—who has time to harvest this all?! *Food Grown Right, in Your Backyard* is a primer for these questions and more.

In this full color, beautifully photographed guide, they prove that anyone can develop a “green thumb,” as they show readers how to build a garden from the ground up, explain general gardening basics, discuss the best types of crops to try, and much more, including:

- > Garden size and design for any setting (no matter how small!), including container gardens
- > Soil types, watering and irrigation, and plant life 101
- > Profiles of recommended vegetables, herbs, edible flowers, and berries
- > Garden tools and time-saving rules
- > Crop planning, tips on what to do with the harvest, and a garden calendar to keep your garden growing year-round

Q&A material, profiles of other beginner gardeners, and step-by-step instructions all come together in this unique, friendly guide that was inspired by the kinds of questions Colin and Brad hear every day on the job with Seattle Urban Farm Co.

**Colin McCrate** and **Brad Halm** started Seattle Urban Farm Co. in the spring of 2007 to answer one simple question: “Does anybody need help setting up a vegetable garden?” Turns out, quite a few. McCrate and Halm now live in Seattle. Visit them at [www.seattleurbanfarmco.com](http://www.seattleurbanfarmco.com).

320 pages, 7 x 8½, 200 color photographs, 10 illustrations, \$24.95, paperbound, ISBN 978-1-59485-683-9. GARDENING/SUSTAINABLE LIVING. Rights: W.



Also recommended:

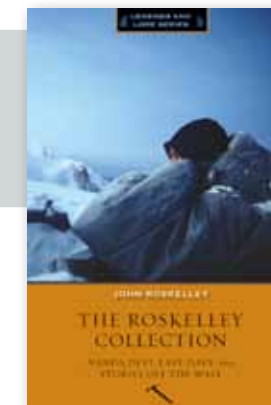
From Tree to Table  
Urban Pantry  
Edible Heirlooms

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JOHN ROSKELLEY FOREWORD BY JIM WICKWIRE

# THE ROSKELLEY COLLECTION

STORIES OFF THE WALL, NANDA DEVI, AND LAST DAYS



AVAILABLE IN APRIL

Three extraordinary stories of mountaineering literature, now combined in one volume

- Includes 30 color and 75 black-and-white photographs
- Part of The Mountaineers Books “Legends and Lore” series for climbers, armchair mountaineers, and readers of classic adventure literature

*The Roskelley Collection* includes legendary climber John Roskelley’s three acclaimed books, together for the first time in one volume and all written with opinion, self-reflective humor, and spellbinding adventure. Also included are two new essays about Roskelley’s more recent climbs with his son: an ice climb (*Slipstream*) in Colorado and a summit climb of Everest.

*Stories off the Wall* is Roskelley’s autobiography, told in a series of essays that includes accounts of attempts and ascents on the North Face of the Eiger, in the Russian Pamirs, in Yosemite, and in the Himalaya. *Nanda Devi: The Tragic Expedition*, a compelling and emotionally raw page-turner, chronicles the 1976 expedition, co-led by Ad Carter and Willi Unsoeld, on which Unsoeld’s daughter, Nanda Devi Unsoeld, died on her eponymous mountain. *Last Days* recounts two legendary climbs in the Himalaya: one a successful first ascent of Tawoche in Nepal with Jeff Lowe, the other an attempt on Menlungste with Jim Wickwire, Greg Child, and Jeff Duenwald.

**John Roskelley’s** notable climbs include the 1973 third ascent of the northeast ridge of Dhaulagiri; the 1976 first ascent via the northwest face of Nanda Devi; and a 1989 new route on the northeast face of Tawoche. Roskelley resides in Spokane, Washington.

672 pages, 6 x 9, 105 color and B&W photographs, 4 maps, paperbound, \$39.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-664-8. ADVENTURE NARRATIVE/MOUNTAINEERING. Rights: W.

DAVID ROBERTS FOREWORD BY JON KRAKAUER

# THE MOUNTAIN OF MY FEAR AND DEBORAH

TWO MOUNTAINEERING CLASSICS



AVAILABLE IN MARCH

- Two classic mountaineering adventures, back in print in one beautiful volume!
- Part of The Mountaineers Books “Legends and Lore” series for climbers, armchair mountaineers, and readers of classic adventure literature

“David Roberts has already written one excellent book, *The Mountain of My Fear*; *Deborah*, in my opinion, is even finer.”  
—W.H. Auden

The publication of *The Mountain of My Fear* in 1968 and *Deborah* in 1970 changed the face of the mountaineering narrative. Now these two classic expedition narratives by acclaimed writer David Roberts are together again in one volume for a new generation of readers.

*Deborah* is the story of Roberts’s 1964 expedition with fellow Harvard Mountaineering Club member Don Jensen to the eastern side of Mount Deborah in Alaska. The story tells not only what happened on the mountain, but what happened to the climbers and their friendship in the stark isolation, as each became totally dependent on the other for survival. In *The Mountain of My Fear* Roberts and Jensen come together again. In this account, they and two other Harvard students attempt a first ascent of Mount Huntington via its treacherous west face. The story is one of a magnificent achievement, but also reveals how a perfect adventure can turn into tragedy in a single instant.

**David Roberts** is an accomplished mountaineer and the author of more than twenty books, including several published by The Mountaineers Books (*Escape Routes*, *Moments of Doubt*, *Sandstone Spine*). He lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

356 pages, 6 x 9, 3 B&W photographs, 4 maps, paperbound, \$24.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-679-2. ADVENTURE NARRATIVE/MOUNTAINEERING. Rights: English language.

DAN HENDERSON

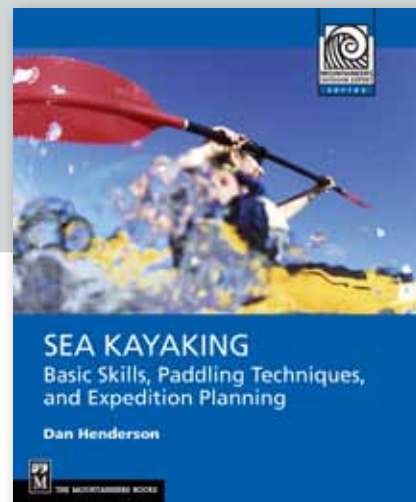
# SEA KAYAKING

**BASIC SKILLS, PADDLING TECHNIQUES,  
AND EXPEDITION PLANNING**

AVAILABLE IN APRIL

Learn to sea kayak from a former U.S. Olympic Team Coach

- Features 130 demonstrative photographs and 30 charts and illustrations
- Written by a veteran paddling coach and expert in kayak stroke efficiency
- Advice from expert contributors throughout covers a full range of experience



The latest addition to the award-winning Mountaineers Outdoor Expert series, *Sea Kayaking: Basic Skills, Paddling Techniques and Expedition Planning* offers authoritative advice for paddlers of all levels, from beginners considering their first gear purchase to competitive kayakers looking to perfect their forward stroke.

As a longtime paddling professional and Olympic Team coach, author Dan Henderson draws from a lifetime of personal experience, teaching, and academic research in exercise science to instruct kayakers on everything they need to know to get out on the water, including:

- > Gear—how to pick the right kayak for your body size, skill level, and lifestyle
- > Foundations of safety, how to plan and prepare, and must-know advice for assisted and self-rescue
- > Basic paddling styles to more advanced techniques (side slipping, edging, bracing)
- > Techniques for a range of conditions caused by wind, waves, currents, swells, and more
- > Expedition planning and camping
- > Getting the most out of kayaking for fitness

**Dan Henderson** is the founder of Cascade Canoe & Kayak Centers, Inc. A frequent speaker at paddle shows and symposiums for over 20 years, Dan has written several articles on technique for *Wavelength*, *Canoe & Kayak*, *Sea Kayaker*, and other publications. He has also served as a professional coach for competitive paddling teams, including Seattle University's Canoe & Kayak Team and the U.S. Olympic Team, and he is highly regarded for his academic research in kayak forward stroke efficiency. His lifetime paddling distance is more than three times the length of the equator. Henderson lives in Seattle.

256 pages, 7 x 8½, 130 B&W photographs, 30 illustrations, paperbound, \$21.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-340-1. SPORTS/SEA KAYAKING. Rights: W.



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ADVENTURE MEDICAL KITS®

# THE DON'T DROWN OUT THERE! DECK

MARINE SURVIVAL IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND



AVAILABLE IN MAY

GO FISH! ... and learn water-safety tips while you're at it

- Survival tips packaged in a playful, functional, water-resistant card deck
- Practical information drawn from *Marine Medicine: A Comprehensive Guide*, a Mountaineers Books bestseller

When heading into the outdoors, you choose multipurpose gear whenever possible—bonus points for equipment that's both functional and fun. You can't do better than *The Don't Drown Out There! Deck*, a compact deck of playing cards that tucks easily into any backpack or pocket, with topics organized by card suit. From hazardous marine life to submersion injury techniques, and from rescue and evacuations to cleaning wounds, that royal flush in your hand contains basic water and first-aid survival tips that could prove lifesaving.

*The Don't Drown Out There! Deck* should be added to every beach-goer, boater, kayaker, fisherman, sailor, and diver's list of outdoor essentials.

Based in Oakland, California, **Adventure Medical Kits** (AMK) is one of the largest suppliers of first-aid and survival kits in the world, and is dedicated to delivering innovative products which will keep you safe in the outdoors. They rely on the expertise of world authorities in wilderness medicine and survival techniques to develop and refine their products year after year, and the AMK team's love of the outdoors is matched only by their drive to create products that allow you to stay healthy on land, water, and air: [www.adventuremedicalkits.com](http://www.adventuremedicalkits.com).

52 playing cards featuring water-sports safety tips, 2½ x 3½, \$6.95, ISBN 978-1-59485-662-4. PLAYING CARDS. Rights: W.

Also written by American Medical Kits and released this year. See these titles on page 22.

RELEASED MARCH 2012



**MARINE MEDICINE**  
A Comprehensive Guide,  
2nd Ed.  
ISBN 978-1-59485-660-0.

First-aid advice for marine medical emergencies when you're the only one who can help now

RELEASED FEBRUARY 2012



**WILDERNESS & TRAVEL MEDICINE**  
A Comprehensive Guide,  
4th Ed.  
ISBN 978-1-59485-658-7.

How to manage medical emergencies when professional medical care or rescue is not available

More playing card decks with outdoor tips:

**THE DON'T DIE OUT THERE DECK**  
978-1-59485-071-4  
(page 21)

**FREEDOM OF THE HILLS DECK**  
978-1-59485-409-5  
(page 24)



GREG LONG

## THE BEST SOUTHERN FRONT RANGE HIKES

AVAILABLE IN JUNE

Within an hour's drive of Interstate 25 south from Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Walsenburg, Trinidad, and toward New Mexico, you will find some of the best hiking trails in all of Colorado

- Amazing country, beautiful trails, many routes with few other hikers
- Instructions on how to get to the trailhead and complete route descriptions
- Commentary on the routes plus color maps and photos

A number of hikers contacted us to say that they loved our book, *The Best Front Range Hikes*, but they wanted more hikes south of Denver to the New Mexico border. For this southern edition, we asked the project manager of *The Best Colorado Springs Hikes* to hike, write, and photograph a guidebook for the Southern Front Range.

*The Best Southern Front Range Hikes* includes 65 of the most superb hikes found anywhere in the state. The hikes were chosen for a number of reasons, including the beauty of the scenery, the variety of terrain, the quality of the hiking experience on the trail, and the fact that many of these trails don't get used as much as the trails in other parts of the state. Some are close to town while others are more remote. Many make excellent family outings while others challenge the seasoned mountaineer. All can be done in a day from at least one of the cities listed above.

Each description starts with some basic information about the hike, including elevation gain, difficulty level, and round-trip distance and time. These statistics are followed by comments on what to expect on the hike, directions to the trailhead, and a complete route description, including photos from the route and a color topo of the trail.

**Greg Long** is a hiker and climber who has thru-hiked the Colorado Trail and summited high peaks throughout the world. He teaches high school and lives in Palmer Lake, Colorado.

232 pages, 6 x 9, rounded corners, 90 color photographs, 60 maps, paperbound, \$24.95, ISBN 978-1-937052-01-0. GUIDEBOOK/COLORADO. Rights: W.



See all "The Best" Colorado Hiking Series on page 28



The Best Front Range Hikes  
978-0-9799663-9-2



The Best Colorado Springs Hikes  
978-0-9799663-6-1



The Best Boulder Hikes  
978-9799663-4-7



The Best Durango Hikes  
978-0-9842213-5-6

WESTERN SLOPE GROUP, CMC, WITH ROD MARTINEZ

## THE BEST GRAND JUNCTION HIKES

AVAILABLE IN MAY

Twenty superb hikes near Grand Junction, Colorado

- Hikes chosen by experienced members of the Colorado Mountain Club
- Color photos and maps throughout the book

As the tenth book in The Colorado Mountain Club's best-selling Pack Guide series, *The Best Grand Junction Hikes* offers twenty superb hikes ranging from a short, pleasant walk near town to moderately difficult long hikes through beautiful terrain.

With this handy Pack Guide you will explore "dinosaur digs" and petroglyphs, or hike beside the mesmerizing 500-foot-tall redrock monoliths in the Colorado National Monument or in the foothills of the La Sal Mountains in eastern Utah. Each trail description includes a map reference, elevation gain (or loss), a difficulty rating for the route, round-trip distance, and estimated time to complete the hike.

**Members of the Western Slope Group** of the Colorado Mountain Club selected the twenty best hikes around Grand Junction and hiked, described, photographed and mapped the routes. **Rod Martinez** is a professional photographer and resident of Grand Junction.

104 pages, 4 x 7, rounded corners, 40 color photographs, 21 maps, paperbound, \$12.95, ISBN 978-1-937052-00-3. GUIDEBOOK/COLORADO. Rights: W.



JIM ELLS PHOTOGRAPHY BY MARLENE BORNEMAN

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN WILDFLOWERS

AVAILABLE IN APRIL

The best identification book of the most colorful Rocky Mountain wildflowers is now available in a convenient Pack Guide.

- Superb photos of the most "showy" Rocky Mountain wildflowers
- Excellent descriptions by horticulturist Jim Ells

The Rocky Mountains from northern New Mexico through southern Alberta are collectively referred to as the "spine of the continent." Along the flanks of this spine you will find an array of stunningly beautiful wildflowers. *Rocky Mountain Wildflowers* includes 150 of the most "showy," beautiful, colorful, and striking wildflowers based on years of observation. The range of wildflowers runs from the deep red Plains Prickly Pear in the foothills to delicate purple Fairy Slippers in the deep moist subalpine forests.

Each plant is described by its common name, its scientific name, and then by the appearance of the stem, leaves, and flower and the most likely plant life zones where it may be found.

**Jim Ells**, retired associate professor of horticulture at Colorado State University, has spent a lifetime identifying and cataloging Rocky Mountain wildflowers. Photographer **Marlene Borneman** has worn through several sets of boots and cameras collecting stunning images of wildflowers up and down the spine of the continent.

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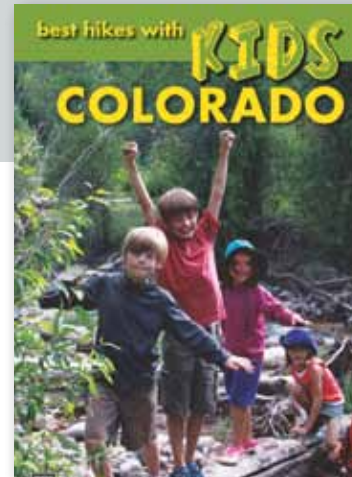
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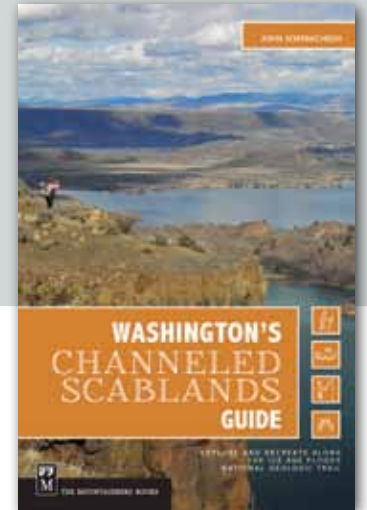
**Rob Casey** is a Northwest native with over a decade of sea kayaking experience, has worked as a guide and instructor for local retailers, and serves on the board of the Washington Water Trails Association. He is the author of *Stand Up Paddling*, a Mountaineers Outdoor Expert series title. He lives in Seattle.

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**John Soennichsen** is the author of *Live! From Death Valley* and *Bretz's Flood*, the biography of Harlen Bretz, the first geologist to research the Scablands and propose the theory of its creation by massive flooding. Soennichsen is a member of the Ice Age Floods Institute and lives just outside the eastern Washington town of Cheney, along the rim of a prominent Scabland channel.

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**Debbie S. Miller** has lived in northern Alaska for nearly forty years, and she has worked to protect the Arctic lands from industrial development for two decades. Her writings and photography have been published in a variety of newspapers, magazines, and books, including the acclaimed *Midnight Wilderness*, as well as *Seasons of Life and Land* and *Arctic Wings: Birds of the Arctic Wildlife Refuge*. She is also the author of many award-winning books for children. She lives in Fairbanks, Alaska.

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