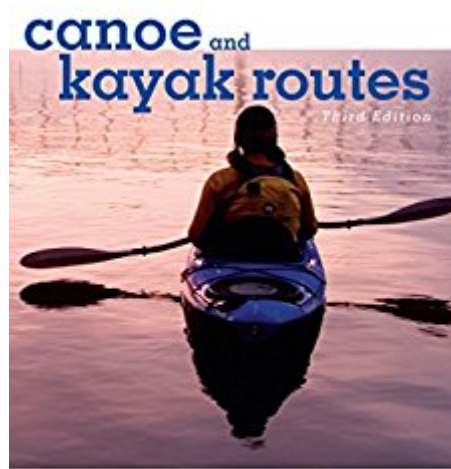


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* 74 paddle routes in Oregon* Trips range from easy for novices with an open canoe or sea kayak to more difficult on streams or open water where paddling skills are required* Information on canoes, kayaks, paddles, safety equipment, and morePhillip Jones has been exploring the Northwest by canoe and kayak for more than 20 years, and presents his favorite outings in this guidebook to paddling the flat-water rivers and lakes of northwest Oregon and southwest Washington. Most of these trips can be done in a day, although some can be combined for longer journeys. For each trip, you'll find complete information on where to launch, trip rating, distance, best time to go, points of interest, hazards, portages, and more. You'll find outings on the Willamette River and its tributaries, Oregon coastal rivers, the Columbia Gorge and the lower Columbia River, the Oregon Cascades, and southwest Washington. There are also tips on canoe and kayak paddling techniques, safety techniques, what to do if you capsize, transporting boats, and shuttling cars.

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Customer Reviews

I live near the Columbia River, and when I bought my new Equinox Kayak (from Eddyline) I went

looking for a really good book that would describe trips in Oregon that I might enjoy. Philip's book was just the ticket. It describes dozens and dozens of waterways that can be used for something as short as a day trip to something as long as a week or more. He describes trips on lakes, rivers and bays, with most trips being most appropriate for a sea kayak, though there are plenty of descriptions of trips appropriate for canoes and shorter river kayaks, too. Jones describes the salient issues associated with each trip, such as where to put in, take out, and hazards/points of interest along the way. He has lots of maps, though not particularly detailed (he has information about where to get detailed maps). Generally speaking I've found the route descriptions accurate and detailed enough to make it work. If you enjoy kayaking or canoeing in northwest Oregon, this book really belongs on your bookshelf.

I was new to the sport of kayaking when I purchased this book so the information in this book was invaluable. I use it all the time seeking out new routes to kayak in Oregon. It seems most of the kayak books out there are for whitewater, which I have yet to get into, so this book is perfect for me. It offers information on many day trips and some multi-day trips if I remember correctly. It is really helpful when choosing rivers to kayak because it tells you the overall speed of the rivers at certain points. I am eager to try all of the routes the author suggests! It offers coastal routes, routes all along the Willamette, Santiam, Siletz, Columbia River, and many lakes and smaller streams just to name a few.

We live in the Willamette Valley and bought this when we were getting into kayaking earlier this year. It's a perfect resource for a beginner or someone new to the area. First part of the book has a lot of good general info about paddling in general, safety, technique, etc. It's entertaining to read as well with lots of neat information surrounding whatever body of water you're dropping into. I'm finding myself wishing the author would check out a few other states and provide me with that info too. Well worth the purchase if you're just starting out or new to this area.

Living in Portland, OR and being new to kayaking this book has been a Godsend. We have already kayaked in 2 of the listed spots and have plans to do many more. I wanted to check this out from the library before buying. I'm glad I didn't because now I have my own copy and don't have to worry about it expiring.

I spent my youth on rivers in northern California. I have been wanting to get back into paddling for

some time. This book is just the ticket on "where to go" for NW paddlers. Now all I need is the boat..

I'm sort of a collector of maps and canoe books for the NW since I find the resources somewhat limited for the quiet water paddler. This book has good info and is worth the purchase.

After renewing my library-copy of this book three times, I purchased it. It's a valuable reference guide for tame water in NW Oregon. Soggy Sneakers is great for more adventure, but this is the perfect guide for taking the family kayaking on Class 1 water close to home. Maps and information is somewhat outdated, but still useful enough to use in conjunction with aerial photos, and the like.

The book has plenty of ideas, but the information comes in a fairly dry package. Anyone can draw up a list of rivers and lakes; the skill comes in making them sound so wonderful a reader can't wait to go try them all. That's the part that is lacking here, inspiration.

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