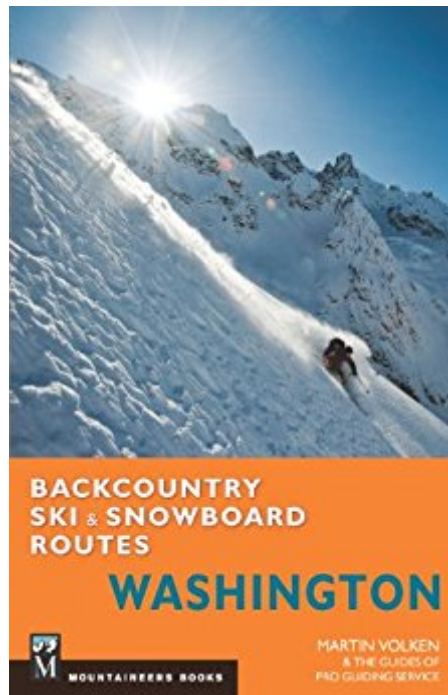




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Backcountry Ski & Snowboard Routes Washington



Synopsis

CLICK HERE to download a sample route from Backcountry Ski & Snowboard Washington. Ski and snowboard adventures can be found year-round when you know where to look! Start here! Only Mountaineers Books offers guidebooks for backcountry ski routes in Washington, and this is the newest and best available! Backcountry skiing is one of the fastest growing winter sports. Written by the authors of the bestselling instructional text on the sport, Backcountry Skiing Washington™s Cascades, Olympics, and Mount Rainier are prime destinations for backcountry ski and snowboard adventure, and no one is better qualified to write this guidebook than Martin Volken and his team at Pro Guiding Service, based in the Cascade foothills. The all-new guidebook includes 80 routes throughout the state plus one in British Columbia! Ideal for intermediate to expert skiers or snowboarders. It features routes ranging from accessible day trips suitable for relative beginners to more challenging multiday traverses. It's a guide to the very best routes available to skiers and boarders throughout the state. Each route includes the following elements: Starting elevation and high point* Elevation gain and loss* Route distance* Time required* Recommended skill and fitness levels* Best season to ski* Maps and permits info* Driving directions, from nearest major town or junction* Detailed route description* Backcountry Ski & Snowboard Routes: Washington also includes an introduction by legendary Northwest skier Lowell Skoog.

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Customer Reviews

I have a collection of backcountry guide books for the Northwest, but the detailed routes described were much better than my other sources. My only regret was a paucity of easier routes, but all in all, this book is a game changer!

I previously bought "100 Classic Backcountry Ski & Snowboard Routes in Washington" by Rainer Burgdorfer and was disappointed by the vague descriptions and near-useless maps and was wary of the same issue with this guide, but happily I was very wrong. This only arrived today, but I'm really impressed with what I've seen so far - this looks to be one of the best outdoor guides I've seen for any activity. The descriptions seem to have a old level of detail, and I appreciate the route summaries breaking down the difficulty to overall, ski, fitness, and technical (alpine climbing), as well as commitment levels, (where as Burgdorfer's book has only one skill level that somehow encompasses climbing, fitness, and skiing skill levels). The highlight over the Burgdorfer book are the maps! The maps in the 100Classic are poorly printed and barely-readable -- I've tried translating maps routes in the 100Classic book to the green-trails topo maps I have on hand to limited success -- whereas these new maps are clear relief-shaded topo maps that don't make me reach for the green-trails. They are clear and are well marked. There are a number of aerial photos of routes and they are nicely marked with routes which makes for a nice bonus of the routes that have them.

This has been a joy to read. It surprised me because it started out with a detailed history of back-ountry in the PNW, and the trails and mountains that were summited via backcountry skiing, in order. A full timeline of the people who first took on these peaks, when backcountry was all there was. This is more than a trail guide, it's a BC history guide of WA. Get this book.

Well written, easy to follow, gives longer more advanced tours than previous guides.

If you want a great guide, written by a guide then buy this book!

Fabulous resource for anyone who wants to ski the cascades.

It is a very informative book and a great attempt to cover the major routes in the State. The maps were very helpful.

wow! great old and new routes and a bonus tour at the end! A thoughtful and diverse collection of powder!

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