

THE JOHN MUIR TRAIL

Through the Californian Sierra Nevada

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A guidebook to The John Muir Trail, which runs for 216 miles through the Sierra Nevada mountains of California, from Yosemite Valley to the summit of Mount Whitney (14,496ft), the highest peak in the USA outside Alaska. Described in 21 day stages, the trail runs entirely through the unspoilt wilderness of the American West and passes through three national parks: Yosemite, Kings Canyon and Sequoia National Parks.

To walk the John Muir Trail successfully thorough planning is required, and this guide provides all the information needed, from obtaining trekking permits to buying trek food and forwarding food caches along the trail. Abundant advice is given on such topics as dealing with bears, coping with altitude, negotiating river crossings, as well as tips on booking transport to and from the trailheads and equipment needed.

In addition there are a number of appendices covering bear box locations, camping sites, escape routes, key contact details and good coverage of the wildlife of this remarkable region.

Key marketing points

- The classic trek in the American West
- 216 miles in 21 daily stages, from Yosemite Valley through three national parks
- Information on preparation, permits, health issues, wilderness, transport and camping sites
- Illustrated with the author's stunning photographs

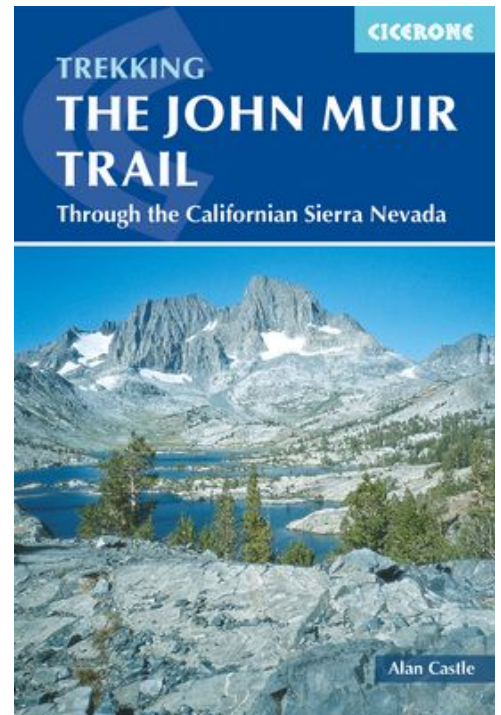
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