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Trails Books Guide Paddling Kansas



Synopsis

Pack up your paddles and discover over 75 adventures along the rivers and streams of Kansas. By canoe or kayak, explore diverse routes of the Missouri, Kansas, and Arkansas rivers and all the exciting things the land has to offer along the way. Complete with detailed maps for each trip, this guide will teach readers about water conditions and rental options, topographical features, landmarks, flora and fauna, camping information and much more, no matter which journey they choose to take.

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Customer Reviews

Dave Murphy, a lifelong Kansan, lives in Ottawa, Kansas with his wife JoAnne. They have kayaked, rafted, canoed and hiked thousands of miles around the world from Montana to New Zealand and from Austria to the Philippines. An expert whitewater kayaker and rafter, Dave served as president of the Kansas City Whitewater Club and two terms as president of the Kansas Canoe and Kayak Association. Dave also served as the first Kansas Riverkeeper. He is currently on the board of the Kansas Natural Resource Council. When not canoeing, kayaking, rafting, hiking or tending to family business, Dave works as a business consultant and dedicates much of his time to the protection and restoration of Kansas rivers and streams.

This is a great guide for paddlers of all stripes and levels of experience. Detailed maps of the

navigable waterways of Kansas are provided and are linked to the text. Maps show access points for canoes, kayaks and rafts as well as a detailed description of the waterway and the accompanying landscape. Also provided are locations for camping, renting canoes and kayaks and descriptions of sightseeing opportunities along the way. Plus the book is replete with helpful tips for ensuring that you get the most out of your paddling adventure in a safe and sane manner while being respectful of the environment through which you are passing. The only thing that would have made this guide better would have been GPS coordinates for the locations on the map. That would have made it ideal for paddlers, who combine paddling with GPS trekking.

My brother wrote this and I know the joy and commitment he has to help others enjoy and appreciate the rivers around them. Excellent!

Very informative, and well written book. There are many places in Kansas that we can use our canoe. The author has paddled all of the rivers that he talks about.

Good book.

A lot of good info here. Good retirement project would be to float K! Wish it had the Smokey Hill River too - I need that to paddle across the whole state. Some day it will flow again.

I found this to be exactly what I was expecting and more. Very useful information with maps and the whole works. My compliments to the author.

Great information on access points and details such as water levels or flow rates for each River to be floatable. Highly recommend this book for Kansas recreational paddlers and those who fish creeks and streams!

Dave Murphy has done a great job of putting together a comprehensive and informative guide on paddling the state of Kansas. In depth coverage of everything a paddler, fisherman, etc. would want to know about the rivers, including some great history on each area. It even features a few interesting whitewater runs in a state that most people probably don't associate with whitewater at all! Most of the runs are mellow, scenic, and accessible. I'm working my way through the book, exploring the rivers and seasons of the Midwest in my kayak and canoe.

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