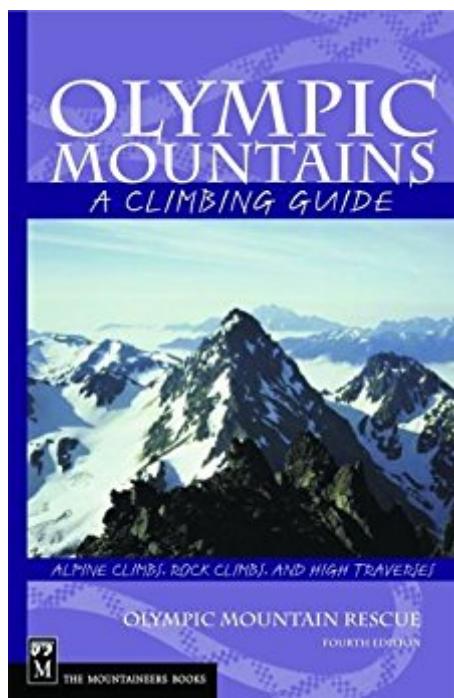


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Synopsis

The only climbing guide devoted to Washingtons Olympic National Park now completely updated and expanded with more than thirty percent additional new material. New Alpine Rock, Crags and Sport Routes, and Bouldering sections added. Expanded historical and biographical anecdotes, GPS waypoints added for key route descriptions. From the hard basalt lava peaks of Constance and The Brothers, to the high-angle faces of The Needles and Sawtooth Ridge, to the sandstone and vast glaciers of Mount Olympus, and hundreds of other mountains large and small: Its the definitive climbing guide authored by Olympic Mountain Rescue (OMR), a group of volunteers dedicated to saving lives for the last 50 years through search, rescue, and mountain safety education. In preparing this new edition, OMR drew not only on their own extensive experience throughout the range, but also on the knowledge of the National Park and Forest Services and other organizations and climbers. This greatly expanded new edition adds an Alpine Rock section featuring classic climbs, a Crags and Sport Routes section revealing several rock climbing challenges within a short walk from roads, plus great bouldering locations. In addition, there are enhanced route descriptions for "High Alpine Traverses" including refined Bailey Range data; new traverse legs have also been added.

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If you already know that you want to climb in the Olympics and want a some decent beta on the climbs, then this is not only the only guide out there for you, but it's really quite good. The route and approach descriptions are generally well detailed and accurate. The book includes scrambles, alpine routes, rock climbs, old school alpenstock und lederhosen ridge treks and even some bouldering areas. If you don't already know that you want to climb in the Olympics and are thinking of buying this book to come up with some climbing ideas, look elsewhere. The Olympics are the last place you want to go for a few recreational climbs. There are indeed a few classic safe routes, mostly scrambles, on good rock. And there are a few decent alpine routes in these mountains. Mostly though, you've got a range of very poor quality basalt that is heavily weathered and breaks off readily. The book is full or routes with warnings about bad rock and the dangers of party inflicted rockfall. So yes it's a great guide, but for the small percentage of climbers that want to tackle something a little wilder and less tracked out.

Outstanding book! This book is a great reference for climbing areas in the Olympic mountains. Broken down by type of climbing, you can easily find a place to suit your climbing experience before you leave your house. This is the most concise reference for the Olympic mountains. Honestly, better than the internet for the particular region. Highly recommend this book if you are looking to climb on the Olympic peninsula.

only definitive guide to peaks in the Olympic Mountains

I've been climbing in the Olympics for several years now, this is a great guide. The descriptions are accurate, more pictures (current) would be nice, but if you want a general guide, this is a great start!

Best climbing guidebook for the Olympic Mts. and pretty much the only one I know of. Mountaineers are highly respected organization.

Great guidebook on the Olympic Mountains! The descriptions are good, and the sketches are good. Definitely a must have for anyone who desires to adventure into the olympics.

Best

The book? Five stars. The mountain range? 4 stars. The weather? 1 star. It was written by a mountain rescue group. They don't want you lost, off route, or dying on "Roper 4th". Concise descriptions. Great maps and drawings. Cool and unobtrusive first ascent info too. That D. Blitz was one hard climber. -d. belillo

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