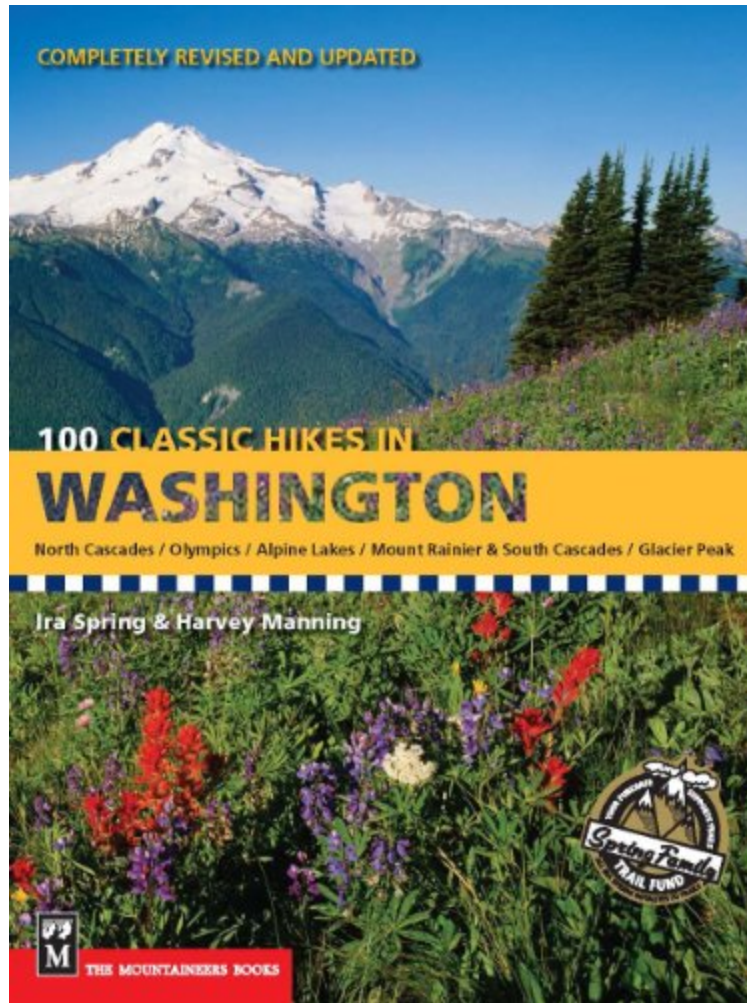


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A good guide by some old negative fussy butts.Von Ein KundeThe trail descriptions and the amount of information in all of Ira Spring and Harvey Manning's books are great. They provide some great info, but....they are two of the most negative guide book writers that I have ever read. They hate dogs, motorcycles, bikes, and horses, as well as the Forest

Service and NPS. Fine, hate them, say it once, get it over with and then shut-up about it. But no, they go on and on and on about motorcycles, mountain bikes, and everything that does not meet their definition of appropriate recreation. I took a black marker to all of the negative comments in their North Cascades book, and black ended up on almost every page. Again, it has good information and can be really helpful if you can stomach the negativity.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Good orientation of area trails with great color picturesVon DaveI was very pleased to find this book last year while planning a trip to Washington. I was interested in finding some good trails for full day hikes. This guide gives a great overview of neat areas to be found in this very beautiful state.A lot of hiking guides have limited pictures which are often in black white. Not so for this guide. Each of the hikes described has at least one full color picture along with a nicely done (non-topo) trail location/route diagram. Thumbing through this guide, looking at the beautiful pictures, and reading the trail descriptions definitely further enticed me to do some hiking in Washington, more so than any other trail guides I've seen. The pictures really make you want to go see for yourself!After thumbing through the guide, I picked three trails in the Olympics to do full day hikes on: Sol Duc Trail, Hoh River Trail, the Cape Alava / Sand Point loop trail. The hikes and scenery were wonderful! I thought the guide did a very good job of giving me an overview of the area and general trail difficulty to help in planning before arriving in Washington. Of course, some of the trails described are going to be a little more popular than lesser known trails not described. But, coming from out of state, this was fine by me.If you are considering a trip to Washington and would like to do some hiking or backpacking, this is a great book to get you acquainted with some great places, and pictures to get you salivating. Since the map diagrams in the book are designed to give you a feel for the route and location only, they are probably not what you would want with you on an actual hike. For that, I would recommend picking up topo maps for the area of interest.I highly recommend this book to fellow out-of-staters considering a trip to Washington. Thanks to this book, we saw some places that we might have missed otherwise. If there is a downside to this book it is that every time I pick it up and thumb through it I see great pictures of places that I would like to go to, but may not ever do. So many trails, so much scenery, so little time...0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. If you've read their other guides, you've read this one.Von Ein KundeWhile this edition supplies something that the other books in Spring and Mannings series don't, namely color pictures, there is really very little new here. The authors have updated the text in a few instances and their introduction/preface is new, but there are pictures and descriptions in this book that date to the First Edition.And I must ask "Why?" Why was it necessary to publish this book? Spring and Manning endlessly lament the fact that most of these hikes are overcrowded, overused, overloved, trampled beyond all recognition, and yet they publish a "new" guidebook so that these very places may be abused to a greater extent. I don't get it.If you don't own the other books in this series and don't plan to buy them, by all means buy this one. Just don't be suprised if 2.5 million others are at the trailhead with you.

Kurzbeschreibung* Full-color coffee-table quality hiking guidebook with lush, hand-drawn trail maps* Written by Washington's godfathers of hiking guidebooks, Harvey Manning and Ira Spring* In a state rich with luscious trails, these hikes are the ones you can't miss (or, at least, must start with)100 Classic Hikes in Washington is the progeny of Washington's first hiking guidebook, and is the best-selling guidebook of all time. There's a reason: it's gorgeous. The photos of trails and vistas are breathtaking. These are hikes you will want to hike, dream about hiking, or both. Based on their more than 100 years of combined experience in Washington's backcountry, Ira Spring and Harvey Manning chose their favorite trails for this compendium of classic hikes. Along with the images and hand-drawn maps, you'll get the authors' first-hand descriptions of the trails they hiked many times over. Featuring spectacular views, flower-filled alpine meadows, lakes and streams, ancient forests, animals and birds, and solitude, these trails will give hikers a taste of Washington's best. Infused with a strong conservation message, this guidebook not only introduces hikers to Washington's gems but encourages them to become active participants in an effort to preserve and, in some cases, reclaim the remaining wilderness..deClassic Hikes is a greatest hits of previous Mountaineers guidebooks for Washington, collecting in a single volume 100 hikes from the guides to the Alpine Lakes, North Cascades, Glacier Peak, Mount Rainier, and South Cascades and Olympics regions. The intelligence behind the selection comes from Ira Spring and Harvey Manning, who between them have more than 100 years of hiking experience in Washington. Owners of other Mountaineers guides will notice that the production values of this volume are even higher than usual; color maps and photos adorn high-quality (recycled) paper. At-a-glance information for easy browsing includes the following: mileage, suggested duration in hours or days, high point, elevation gain, seasonality, topo map codes, and additional contact information. The text synopses are colorful and politically opinionated (woe to the dirt biker who crosses paths with these two!). Their sense of tradition is also readily apparent: "To start with the ice cream and work through the meatballs and potatoes to the soup is not esthetic. Coming to the Enchantments by way of Aasgard is in very bad taste." While avid hikers will have plenty to argue about concerning the sins of omission, it's hard to argue with the inclusion of Mount Rainier's Wonderland Trail, Whatcom Pass in the North Cascades, Image Lake in the Glacier Peak Wilderness, the Enchantments in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness, and the Olympics' High Divide. These

represent some of the most spectacular hikes in North America. The downside is that you're not likely to find solitude in such places, no matter how remote. But there are 95 more trails to choose from, many of similar scenic beauty and slightly less fame.

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