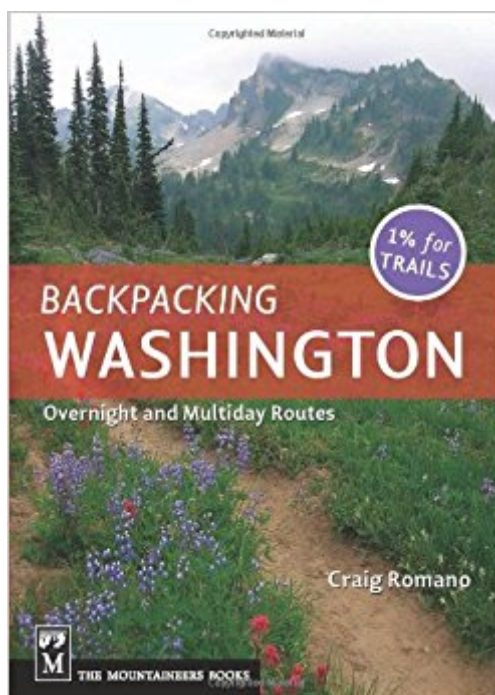


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# Backpacking Washington: Overnight And Multi-Day Routes



## Synopsis

The most comprehensive backpacking guide to Washington State! Veteran guidebook author Craig Romano hits the trail again - this time to uncover amazing backpacking opportunities all over Washington's wilderness. **BACKPACKING WASHINGTON** details 70 routes, from the wild Olympic Coast to the sun baked Blue Mountains. With an emphasis on weekend trips, routes range from overnight to weeklong treks and often include options for extending trips and choosing campsites.

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## Customer Reviews

Award winning author Craig Romano grew up in rural New Hampshire where he fell in love with the natural world. A former backcountry ranger in the White Mountain National Forest, ski bum in Vermont, and hiking guide in the Pyrenees of France and Spain; the outdoors are his calling! He has traveled extensively, from Alaska to Argentina, Sicily to South Korea, seeking wild and spectacular landscapes. He ranks Washington State, his home since 1989, among the most beautiful places on the planet and he has thoroughly hiked it, more than 19,000 miles worth from Cape Flattery in the NW to Puffer Butte in the SE; Cape Disappointment in the SW to the Salmo-Priest Wilderness in the NE. An avid hiker, runner and dedicated conservationist; Craig is the author of twelve books and co-author of five others. He holds several degrees; an AA in Forestry from White Mountains Community College (NH), a BA in history and a Masters in education from the University of Washington. He lives with his wife, son, and Maine coon kitty in Skagit County near the North Cascades and San Juan Islands.

As a new resident of Washington state, this book provides exactly the type of hiking information I was seeking. Concise descriptions of each hike along with the pros and cons, route recommendations, permits/fees, campsites and water availability, and directions to the trailhead. Rudimentary maps are also provided but strongly encourage buying applicable USGS or Green Trails maps. I cannot speak to the accuracy of hike descriptions as of yet but looking forward to the upcoming hiking season to experience several of the hikes Romano details and will update this review accordingly.

We purchased this book on backpacking trips in Washington State at the beginning of the summer in hopes that we could do a few this summer. We indeed did find time for two of the trips detailed in this book. We used the "overview" section to determine which trips were in our desired mileage and elevation gain range. We found the descriptions accurate and helpful. The map provided an overview of the trail and campsite locations while the "trip planner" gave us an idea of distances between landmarks. We especially liked the "Extending Your Trip" section that gives ideas for side trips. We also purchased two of Craig Romano's day-hiking books which are written in a similar format. We went on many of the day-hikes detailed in these other two books and found them very useful. We look forward to enjoying many more backpacking and day-hiking trips described in these books. They are the perfect resource for year-around hiking in Washington State.

After checking this book out at our local library several times, I figured it was time to own a copy. I have several other Craig Romano books and was, once again, NOT disappointed with "Backpacking Washington". There are many backpacking trips described, with several tips and hints to make each trip safer and more enjoyable, including alerts, water availability and permit information. I've started marking the dates I completed each trip in all of my Craig Romano books. This book is small enough to be carried with you, yet contains more info than many larger books. I look forward to enjoying this book for many years!

Exactly what I was looking for. Have looked through about half of it, as I have needed and I love it.

Fits perfect in my pack and has lots of great info for hiking and camping.

Amazing book for anyone who wants to explore WA to the fullest !

I like it very much.

Perfect for the weekend warrior backpacker like myself.

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