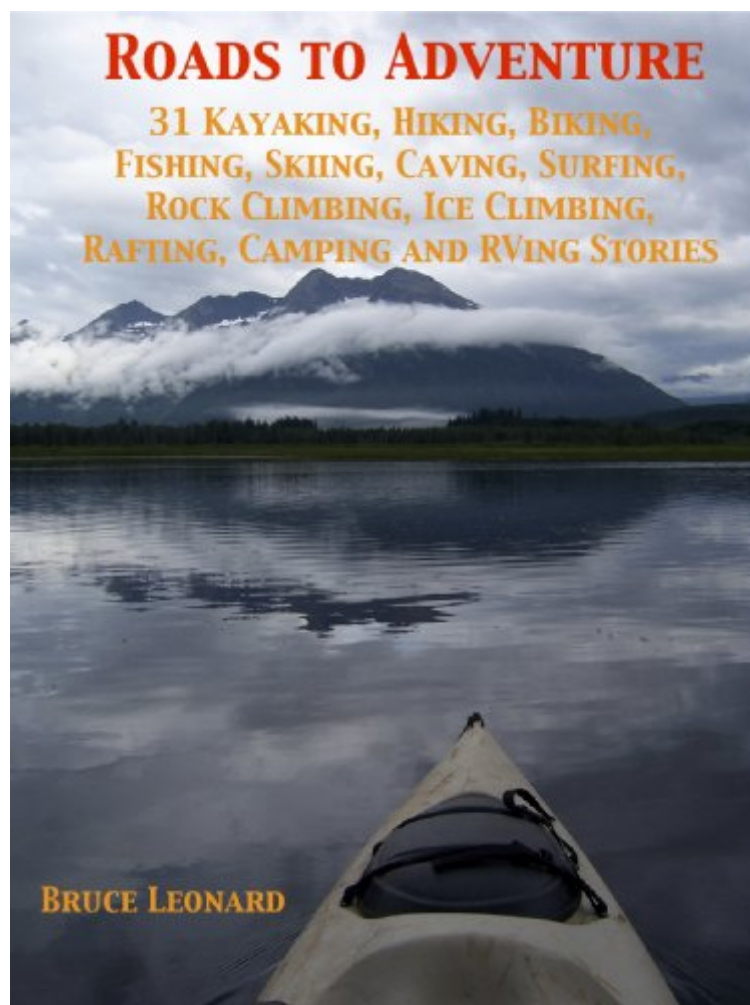




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Synopsis

I wrote this book for travelers who enjoy reading about adventures and for those willing to expand their comfort zones by participating in exciting activities that they thought were too much for them. I am athletic, true, but I have suffered from a series of injuries, a back injury foremost among them, and yet I have climbed rock faces, plunged into icy rivers, mountain biked trails that tested my stamina and my resolve, skied an Olympic downhill course, boated huge fish and participated in dozens of other activities that nearly anyone can pursue, so long as they believe they can. Roads to Adventure, therefore, is meant to encourage self belief.

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Customer Reviews

This book is about adventures, and adventures that require guts I don't myself have, however, it really misses the mark. Time and time again I found myself wishing the author had put in more detail instead of glossing over things. Descriptions of how he felt as he climbed Devil's mountain were slim on details. The adventure of zip lining over a Yucatan Peninsula jungle were covered in a few uninspiring lines, with a marked lack of detail of what the jungle was like, focussing instead on

boring details like the braking mechanism. This author has clearly had some stunning adventures, but has in my opinion, described them poorly. Some people may enjoy this more than I, so may get more out of the book than I. To me though, this just did not have the impact that it should. I felt the author seemed to be determined to make the adventures sound as mundane as possible. Though at times he describes his feelings, he repeatedly lacks detail about the adventure. Maybe I'm not doing this book justice, but I felt a book on this subject material could have been a lot more captivating and exciting.

This little book contains a vast amount of information, but not in the usual way. It is one of those rare travel books that is actually entertaining. The author has a sense of humor and does not mind using himself as the brunt of the joke. His adventures all over this country and beyond take us on a colorful ride, one that we wish we could emulate. Whether on skis, in a glider, on top of a mountain or under the water, Mr. Leonard shares one thrilling ride after another. For the faint of heart, there are golfing, hiking and fishing stories; for those who prefer more white-knuckle adventures, follow him into a cave, drop from a helicopter or sit shotgun on a safari. And through it all, glean bits of do's and don'ts of where to go, how to get there, what to carry and how to make the best of every situation. Enjoy!

The author kept me interested. I was able to put myself in his place and feel I was experiencing his adventures. Thank you

Roads to Adventure is a terrific read that not only gives the reader a glimpse of some great travel destinations but does so with wit and humor. I found myself enjoying these adventures and choosing which I want to experience for myself. I recommend this book for both active and armchair adventurers. Outstanding book.

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