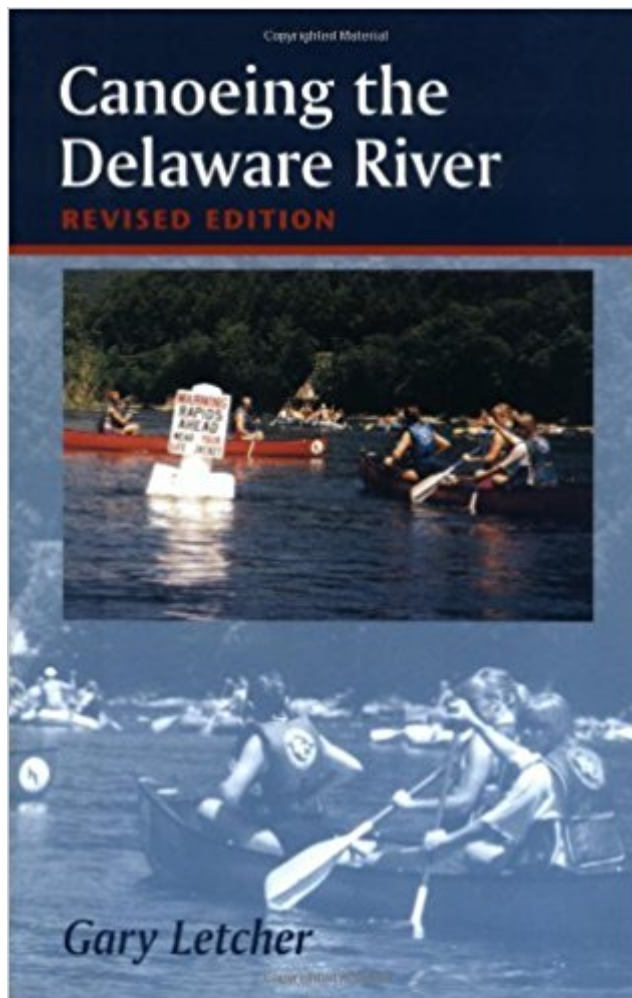




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Canoeing The Delaware River



Synopsis

Canoeing the Delaware River provides a mile-by-mile account of the Delaware's course from where the East and West Branches meet in Hancock, New York, two hundred miles downstream to tidewater at Trenton, New Jersey. The book describes rapids, access areas, and points of interest in detail. It is an invaluable resource to both the novice out for an afternoon paddle and the adventurer on a ten-day trip. This completely revised and updated edition provides new maps, guides to river outfitters, campgrounds, information sources on river conditions, and new photographs. In addition to guiding the way, Canoeing the Delaware River portrays the people, places, and events associated with the river from its colorful past through present times. Gary Letcher also includes information on canoe safety and environmental concerns.

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Customer Reviews

I found this book to be rather thorough in its description of the river, access points, camping locations, etc. I had kayak-camped the approximately 40-mile stretch between Calicoon to Mongaup Valley (south of Pond Eddy) in the spring of 2012 on a three-day, two-night journey. Unfortunately, the NY DEC launch at Calicoon was undergoing renovations, and we had to park at the Peck's Market parking lot, which is right on the river. Our take-out was at the DEC Mongaup Valley WMA, where there is a hand-launch. It is located right on Rt. 97, before the confluence of the Mongaup River flow and the Delaware (going south). The path to the water is restricted, so you have to carry your boat and gear about 150 yards to the parking lot from the water up a rocky slope. None of this information is in the book. This is probably because it is not a popular access point, due to the rocky

terrain. Regardless, the book is a valuable resource for paddlers and I recommend it to anyone looking to do a trip on the Big D. Also check out "Down the River - A River User's Guide" (\$6) available at e-parks.com.

This summer a friend and I decided we were going to canoe the Delaware from Balls Eddy, near Hancock New York, to tidewater at Trenton New Jersey. Having never canoed more than a few miles of the river this guide was lifesaver as it allowed us to get out and scout the most dangerous of the rapids. For the most part camping locations were up to date. We lived by this book for the entire length of our trip and probably would not have made it through without it. If you are looking for a great summer adventure, grab a canoe, a tent and this book and set off for ten days of fun.

Well considering I read a good part of it online I knew what was inside the book. Informative and a good read for anyone who wants a better understanding of the Delaware River.

I have owned this book for years, and relied on it for planning multiple trips in the upper and middle Delaware River. The mile-by-mile guides are detailed and accurate, and there's plenty of interesting historical and geographical notes that make the book an interesting read even if you're not immediately planning a trip.

This book was used as we paddled through the Delaware Water Gap. the campsites listed were for the most part accurate although where we were planning on camping the sites were so overgrown it was impossible to camp there. The rapids listed were accurate and the guide book was overall very helpful.

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"A bunch of the boys were whooping it up at the Malamute Saloon." A mere verse by Robert Service you say? Aha. It actually was the beginning of an adventure along the Delaware River. A trip unimaginable without Mr. Letcher's book. What started out as a challenge to see who could start a raucously good time one evening turned into a better challenge; who could find a complete guide to an entire weekend? I won the challenge with Mr. Letcher's exciting guide to canoeing the Delaware.

This book has it all: helpful hints, maps, select side trips and historical perspective. I was and will continue to be impressed by the completeness of Gary's book. I would recommend it to both novice canoeists and the most experienced. I have read several books about canoeing in different locations but this is the best!

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