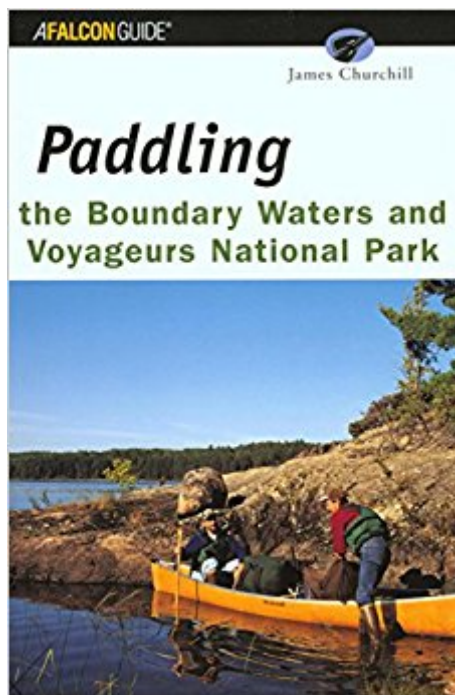




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and routes; thorough route descriptions including character, difficulty level, and average run time; a list of information resources.

The late James Churchill, author, naturalist, and woodsman, made his home in Florence, Wisconsin.

I love this book, I only wish it had more routes to ponder over. I like this book better than most others because it comes with a good preview map for all the routes it lists.

Strengths: trip descriptions and maps are very useful. If this is all you are looking for in a guidebook, buy this book and you're done. Weaknesses: Doesn't provide enough information on obtaining permits, etc, which is essential given the regulated nature of this area. All of the practical "how to" advice is entirely focused on canoes. Kayaks do not exist as far as this book is concerned. This probably reflects the author's generational bias, but is no longer reflective of modern options. Though I personally was not seeking advice on equipment, given that this book does intend to dole out advice useful to the novice, it's time to look beyond canoes. In this same regard, the descriptions of appropriate clothing choices is decidedly 1950's.

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