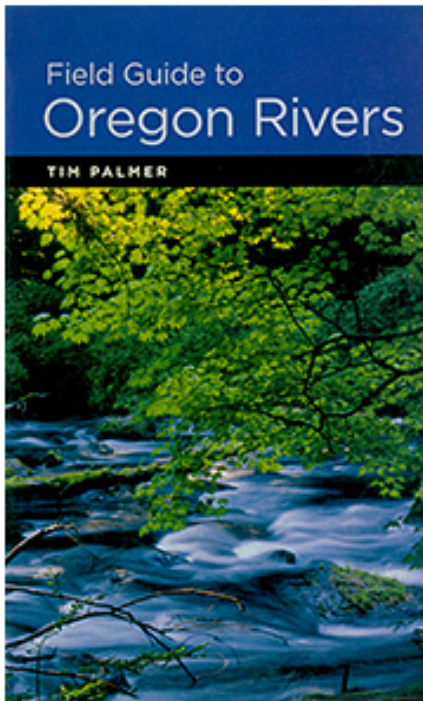


Outdoor Adventure Guidebooks



Winner. **Field Guide to Oregon Rivers.** By Tim Palmer. Oregon State University Press, Corvallis, OR. ISBN 9780870716270.

If there is anyone who knows rivers, really knows rivers, it's Tim Palmer. A practiced naturalist, consummate river explorer and conservationist, Palmer has been writing and photographing rivers for forty years. His expansive knowledge shows in this, his latest work which profiles 120 Oregon rivers. This is more than a paddling guide—it does cover information on river difficulty, put-ins and take-outs—but rivers can also be enjoyed from land, and Palmer includes backroad approaches and hikes along the shoreline. Fishing enthusiasts aren't left out, and the types of fish found in each of the rivers are listed along with season dates and fishing access points. Throughout the book he reminds us of the importance of rivers, what conservation efforts have protected, and what needs to be protected in the future to maintain a healthy and vibrant outdoor environment.