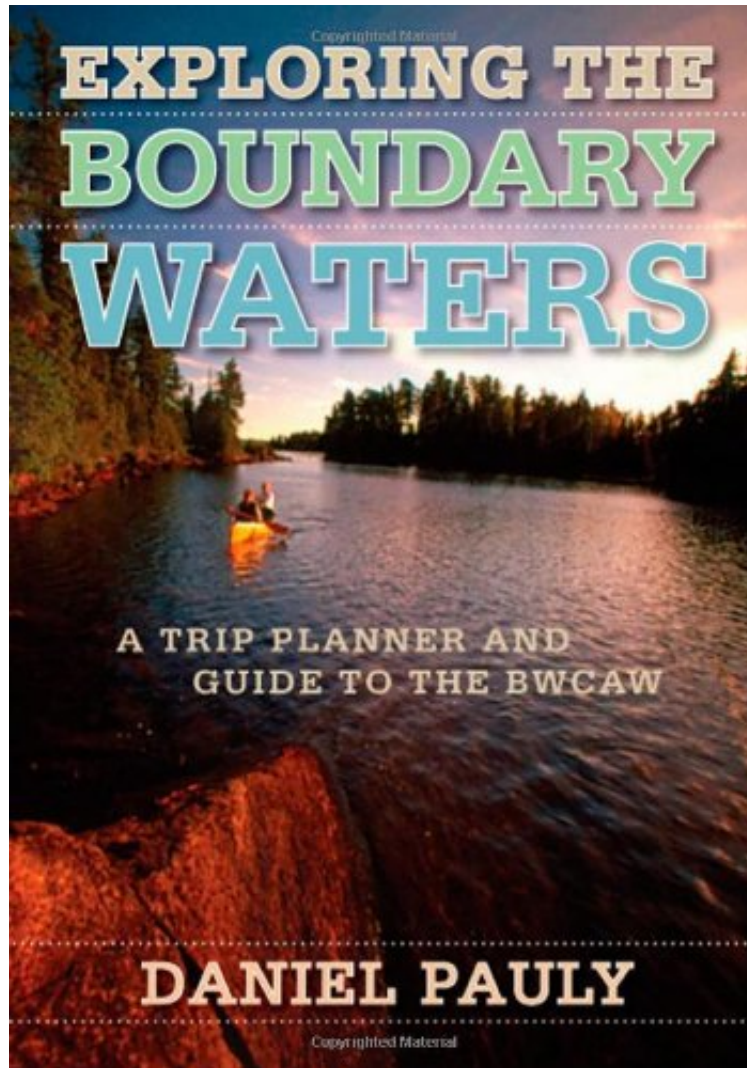


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**Daniel Pauly : Exploring the Boundary Waters: A Trip Planner and Guide to the BWCAW** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Exploring the Boundary Waters: A Trip Planner and Guide to the BWCAW:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. ... i first opened the book I was a bit disappointed cause it didn't have colorful pictures By Ginger Folker When i first opened the book I was a bit disappointed cause it didn't have colorful pictures. But as i flipped through it i realized the wealth of information it contained. Its a great book to pair with the

Boundary Waters Canoe Camping book (it has pretty pictures and more info on other things you need to know about the boundary waters besides just the portages). This book has all the portage information which is a HUGE help when trying to plan out a trip. This is our first time going to the boundary waters and having a book like this is super helpful in determining routes that we think we can handle. Its easy to navigate through as well because of the index. If you are reading about a portage on the internet or in another book and you want to know what its like all you had to do is find it in the index and you will then know all you need to know about that portage. Its a great reference book and a must have for planning a boundary waters trip. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Best area introduction for "real" trip planning

By goaljohnbill While a long time vet of paddling and trip planning I am new to the BWCA and this book was the first one that layed things out in such a way as to really get a feel for what trips were like. I had rented every book my library had on the subject with any trip descriptions and/or maps (5-6 total) and this was by far the one that felt most useful to me (including the 2 book series split into east and west regions). The descriptions and relative portage difficulty rankings are well written and informative. The maps are more an overview than detailed (using these as your only mapping seems like a pretty bad idea...) but are fine as an overview. Plus they are presented better than the others Id seen in different books. The issue with the routes not being marked at all is a bit of a hassle but i think it is better than covering the maps with "squiggles" since multiple routes are normally described off of each section of map. Overall a highly recommended item that I expect to use as a planning starter over and over.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Very Informative

By loboicm The detail given in this book regarding entry points, portages, levels of difficulty, and especially the route descriptions are dead on. I have entered the BWCAW at several different points and as I read the route descriptions for these areas it was very easy to visualize my trips all over again. The history of the lakes and general area of each route is also very interesting, especially as you realize the route you are paddling on was used by the first Native Americans, thousands of years ago in dugout canoes made of pine, or by the Voyageurs, the first Europeans of the region. Great reading whether you're planning a trip, using it for reference on a trip or just dreaming !

With more than 200,000 visitors annually, the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness is among the most alluring wilderness areas in the country, unique because it is most often explored by canoe. Comprised of more than one million acres, the BWCAW is an exceptional combination of expansive wilderness, abundant wildlife, and fascinating natural and human history. Exploring the Boundary Waters is the most comprehensive trip planner to the BWCAW, giving travelers an overview of each entry point into the wilderness area as well as detailed descriptions of more than one hundred specific routes - including a ranking of their difficulty level and maps that feature the major waterways, portages, and the designated campsites. The book is crafted so that readers can design their own route through the almost inexhaustible network of lakes and streams. Daniel Pauly, Boundary Waters expert, worked with the U.S. Forest Service, the Minnesota DNR, and local outfitters to gather information about how to obtain a permit, the rules and regulations of the park, safety tips, and how to help maintain the ecological integrity of the wilderness. As engaging as it is informative, Exploring the Boundary Waters not only contributes advice on the pros and cons of each route, but also brings the reader a natural and historical context for the journey by offering insight into the pictographs, mining sites, logging railroads, and ruins one may encounter throughout his or her expedition. With its accessible and personal style, Exploring the Boundary Waters is the perfect guide for anyone - novice or seasoned veteran - arranging a trip to the BWCAW. A companion Web site, <http://www.boundarywatersguide.com>, presents useful information that can be downloaded for planning a trip, including gear lists, overview maps, and route updates.

About the Author Daniel Pauly is an attorney and has been a frequent visitor to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness for more than twenty years.