

Bear Down, Bear North

Alaska Stories

Melinda Moustakis

Brings to life a rough-and-tumble family of Alaskan homesteaders through a series of linked stories.

Ashes and Ice

Tracie Peterson

When heartache and loss invade Karen Pierce's carefully ordered world, she journeys north to the goldfields accompanied by her guide and two young adults in her care. Set in 1897, this story shows how Karen is inspired by the beautiful and rugged landscape and thrives under the difficult conditions.

Caribou Island

A Novel

David Vann

On a small island in a glacier-fed lake on Alaska's Kenai Peninsula, Gary, driven by thirty years of diverted plans, and Irene, haunted by a tragedy in her past, are trying to rebuild their life together.

A Novel Idea ... READ TOGETHER 2013



THE LORE AND LURE OF ALASKA

The Last New Land

Stories of Alaska, Past and Present

Edited by Wayne Mergler

Representing the best writing the state has to offer, this book gathers a rich and comprehensive sampling of fiction, nonfiction and poetry about Alaska.

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For the Century's End

Poems: 1990–1999

John Haines

Poems by the much-honored author who lived many years in the Alaska wilderness.

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The Stars, the Snow, the Fire

Twenty-Five Years in the Northern Wilderness

John Haines

A wilderness classic, the quintessential Alaska frontiersman relates his experiences from over twenty years as a homesteader. 818.54 HAINES

Alaska

Saga of a Bold Land

Walter R. Borneman

Explores the complicated history of Alaska's many riches and the disputes over how these resources should be used and by whom. This book shows that there are no easy answers. 979.8 BORNEMAN

Tales From the Edge

True Adventures in Alaska

Edited by Larry Kaniut

Brings together some of the world's best outdoor adventure writers to celebrate the land and the people of Alaska while exploring the myth, beauty and peril of the arctic landscape.

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Walking Home

A Traveler in the Alaskan Wilderness, a Journey into the Human Heart

Lynn Schooler

In the spring of 2007, Lynn Schooler sets out on a journey into the Alaska wilderness, traveling solo, first by small boat across the formidable Gulf of Alaska, then on foot along one of the wildest coastlines in North America.

979.82 SCHOOLER LYNN

FOLK TALES AND THE POWER OF STORY

The Stories We Tell

An Anthology of Oregon Folk Literature

Suzi Jones & Jarold Ramsey

These traditional stories, songs, tales, and sayings—from Native American creation myths to spotted owl jokes—reveal the richness of Oregon's oral traditions.

398.2 JONES SUZI

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Traditional Stories of Eskimo and Indian Peoples

Edited by Howard Norman

More than 100 stories representing an astonishing richness and diversity among more than 30 tribes of Arctic and sub-Arctic peoples.

398.208997 NORTHERN

The Storytelling Animal

How Stories Make us Human

Jonathan Gottschall

Drawing on the latest research in neuroscience, psychology, and evolutionary biology, Gottschall tells us what it means to be a storytelling animal and explains how stories can change the world for the better. 808.543 GOTTSCHALL JONATHAN

Our Stories Remember

American Indian History, Culture, and Values through Storytelling

Joseph Bruchac

An illuminating look at Native origins and lifeways, a treasure for all who value Native wisdom and the stories that keep it alive.

970.00497 BRUCHAC

The Snow Child

Text by Harriet Ziefert; illustrated by Julia Zanes

An illustrated retelling of this classic Russian folktale for young readers.

JUVENILE EASY READER

HOMESTEADING—THEN AND NOW

The Self-Sufficient Life and How to Live It

John Seymour

Covers the skills needed to live independently in harmony with the land harnessing natural forms of energy, raising crops and keeping livestock, preserving foodstuffs, making beer and wine, basketry, carpentry, weaving and much more.

630 SEYMOUR JOHN

Backyard Homesteading

A Back-to-Basics Guide to Self-Sufficiency

David Toht

Addresses the needs of many people who want to take control of the food they eat and the products they use—even if they live in an urban or suburban house on a typical-size lot.

640 TOHT DAVID

One Man's Wilderness

An Alaskan Odyssey

Sam Keith

A moving account of the day-to-day explorations and activities of Richard Proenneke—a naturalist icon who left his modern life to live alone in the wilderness.

917.984 PROENNEKE

New Era

Reflections on the Human and Natural History of Central Oregon

Jarold Ramsey

Reflects on changes this high desert area has undergone from the homesteading era to current development—especially focused on gaining insights into Native and settler ties to the West.

979.58 RAMSEY

Rattlesnake Homestead

Gilma Endicott Greenhoot

The story of Bill and Mollie Endicott and their homesteading experience in central Oregon from 1911–1921.

Biography ENDICOTT

TRADITIONAL COOKING

The Complete Book of Dutch Oven Cooking

J. Wayne Fears

Comprehensive guide includes a wide range of useful information including how a Dutch oven is made, what to look for when purchasing one, how to season it properly before using it and many recipes.

641.589 FEARS J.WAYNE

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Pacific Northwest Cooking, 1843–1900

Jacqueline B. Williams

Describes our eating habits from the earliest years of settlement to the time when railroads brought the latest ingredients and implements to regional cooks.

641.59795 WILLIAMS

Wagon Wheel Kitchens

Food on the Oregon Trail

Jacqueline Williams

For history buffs and armchair cooks, this book is about how eating happened on the Oregon Trail.

973.6 WILLIAMS

Home on the Range

A Culinary History of the American West

Cathy Luchetti

A chronicle of the roots of American frontier cooking—in anecdotes, pioneer writing and vintage photographs.

978.02 LUCHETTI CATHY

FICTION SET IN ALASKA

The City Beneath the Snow Stories

Marjorie Kowalski Cole

A portrait of contemporary Alaskans and a look at the moral decisions that lurk in the unexpected corners of daily life.

Heartbroke Bay

Lynn D'Urso

In 1898, Alaska is an untamed wilderness with an unforgiving climate—yet many venture forth in search of gold and fortune. Hannah Nelson, a beautiful young Englishwoman, follows her husband to a glacier-wracked fjord and discovers that gold is only one of the desires that can consume a person's soul.