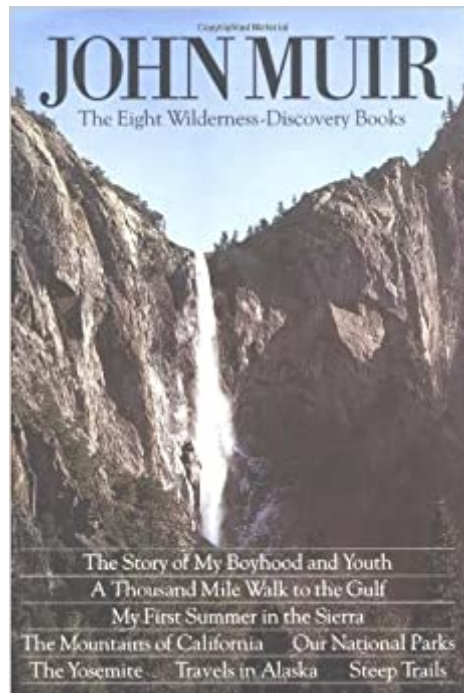




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# John Muir: The Eight Wilderness Discovery Books



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JOHN MUIR was a Scottish-born American—a naturalist, author, and early advocate of preservation of wilderness—in the United States. His letters, essays, and books telling of his adventures in nature, especially in the Sierra Nevada mountains of California, have been read by millions. His activism helped to save the Yosemite Valley, Sequoia National Park and other wilderness areas. The Sierra Club, which he founded, is now one of the most important conservation organizations in the United States. One of the most well-known hiking trails in the U.S., the 211-mile (340 km) John Muir Trail, was named in his honor. Other places named in his honor are Muir Woods National Monument, Muir Beach, John Muir College, Mount Muir, Camp Muir and Muir Glacier.

Great quality book that is perfect to add to our top shelf of the books. It is beautiful - but it is heavy - just to warn those of you who don't understand how big 8 books of John Muir's is. My husband is a minimalist and LOVES this book.

Really nice book that I bought as a gift for my boyfriend. He is loving reading it and it is inspiring camping trips! Recommend to any nature lover or fan of John Muir.

It is a gift for our son and he is loving it. I have not been to Yosemite since I was 6 and climbed up the trail to the falls. In those days (1951) we could camp on the valley floor and watch as the rangers pushed the entire large fire over besides the falls in the dark of the summer evening. It was spectacular. Our son carries on our love for hiking and camping and loves history as well.

Anything regarding John Muir is a great read.

An impressive seller.

Friends and I have read Muir's works aloud around many wilderness campfires. His writing is lyrical, highly descriptive and reflective of his intense attention to the world around. This book includes most of his best. "Stickeen", about a brave little dog that followed him on a glacier walk, is alone worth the cost of the book. I sent it to a library as a memorial for a friend.

Great books. Started reading them after visiting Yosemite. I can see why John Muir's writings inspired people to preserve the park.

Nice, thick book. I look forward to when I have time to read. I liked a series of his writings in one book.

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