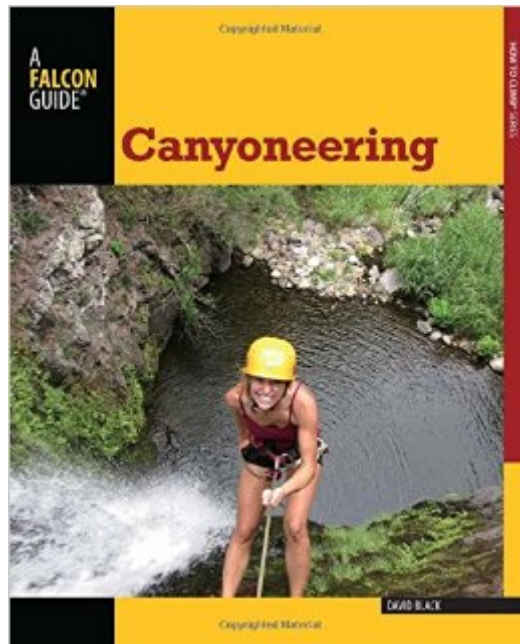


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In David Black's *Canyoneering: A Guide to Techniques for Wet and Dry Canyons*, readers learn the hazards and risks of canyoneering, the skills required to gain mastery of canyoneering style and technique, and simple, effective ways to negotiate hazardous terrain. This completely updated, thorough, and to-the-point guide will provide easily understood descriptions of skills used by leading-edge canyoneers and promote simple techniques for solving complex problems. The purpose of this book is to equip canyoneers at all levels with the technical skills they need to enjoy a clean canyoneering experience and avoid dangerous mistakes. This full-color book is the only guide endorsed by the American Canyoneering Association. Includes information on: The right way to apply climbing, caving, and whitewater skills to technical canyoneering An explanation of technical canyon ratings Simple, effective ways to negotiate hazardous terrain Twelve classic canyons in North America and their ratings ACA-certified instructors, guides, and guide service

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Customer Reviews

I picked up this book because I have been canyoneering for several years but am still dependent upon others to be the expert in the canyon. This book purchase was a step towards educating myself on how to be a proficient canyoneer. First, I appreciate David's willingness to write this book, which is much needed in the canyoneering community, and I am sure was no small feat. It is easy to see how knowledgeable David is in canyoneering. I would give the book 5 stars if that was the only thing I was rating - author's knowledge. My main problems with the book include: 1- The book is

touted for canyoneers of all levels. I have done scrambling, handlining, rappelling, etc. in the canyons and would consider myself somewhere between beginner and intermediate. With this said, I was surprised at how difficult a time I had following along in certain sections of the book. I feel like this book does a lot of assuming on reader knowledge in places. Because of that, I do not think this book is a good fit for beginners (unless you are willing to know that you will not understand many of the concepts in the book) despite the books claim to be for canyoneers of all levels. I think this could be remedied with more detailed descriptions in places which can help the reader follow along.2- I am surprised that Falcon guides would put out a book that had some basic grammatical issues. I would not necessarily expect someone who is a field expert to be an expert writer but I would expect the publishing company to do a better job of editing and organizing the book.3- Lastly, for some reason, it bothers me so that the book provides guidance on ideal clothing and gear for traveling through canyons and then goes on to display many, many pictures that do not follow the guidance.

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