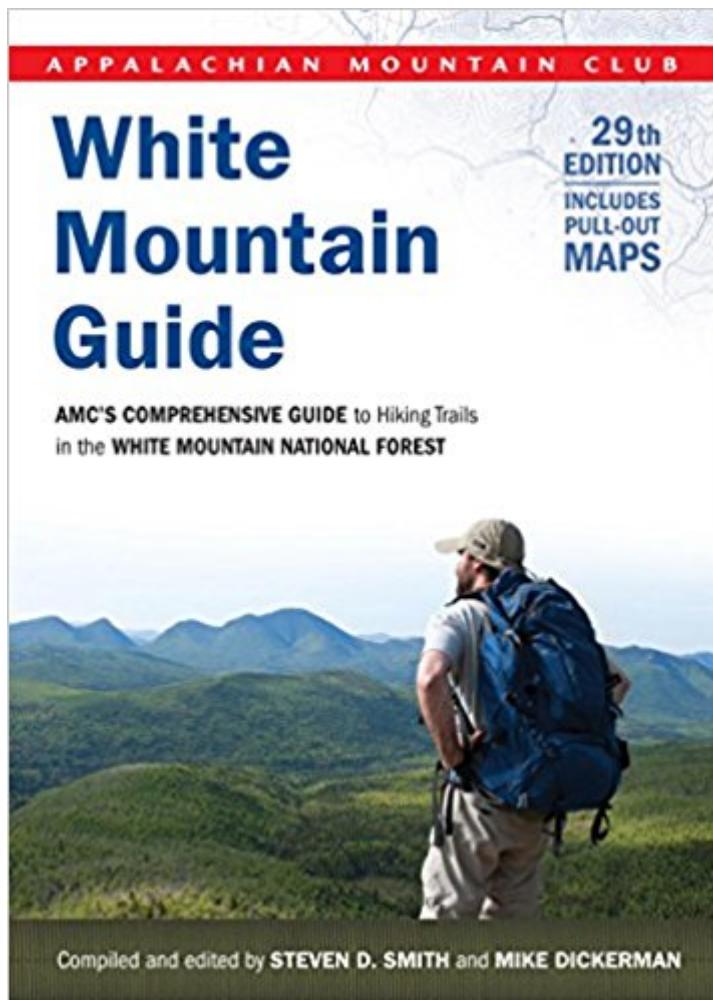


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# **White Mountain Guide: AMC's Comprehensive Guide To Hiking Trails In The White Mountain National Forest (Appalachian Mountain Club White Mountain Guide)**





## Synopsis

For over 100 years, hikers have relied on AMC's White Mountain Guide. The most trusted resource for the hiking trails of the magnificent White Mountains of New Hampshire and Maine, this new edition has been thoroughly updated and revised, with accurate descriptions of over 500 trails, topographic maps with trail segment mileage, trip planning and safety information, and a checklist of New England's Four-Thousand Footers. With expert advice and trail coverage, this guide is the perfect companion for planning a hike, whether a day trip up Mount Washington, a backpacking adventure in the Pemigewasset Wilderness, or a hut-to-hut traverse.

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## Customer Reviews

For hikers in the Northeast, the AMC White Mountain Guide is like the Bible—we read it religiously when scouting trips and trust it completely for useful trail information. This book belongs on every backpacker's bookshelf. • Jonathan Dorn, Executive Editor, Backpacker

Trusted by hikers for over a century, AMC's White Mountain Guide is an indispensable part of the hiking culture of the White Mountain National Forest. With comprehensive coverage of the hiking trails of the magnificent national forest, this completely updated and revised edition features accurate descriptions of over 500 trails, topographic maps with trail segment mileage, and trip

planning and safety information. Whether you're planning an adventure above treeline, a week-long backpacking trip in the Great Gulf Wilderness, a day hike to stunning waterfalls, or a walk along the Appalachian Trail, you'll uncover all the information and expert advice you need in this guide.Â

Held out updating my very well worn copy because I thought the 30th edition was due this year as this 29th edition was published in 2012. Yet I came across this regarding the the Dry River Trail: "...closed in 2011 and reopened in 2014." Apparently they do indeed have other 'printing updates' - though I could not find any references to them. If you love to hike the White Mountains, this is your BIBLE! Always full of pertinent info and great maps which are available updated separately. I'm waiting on the Crawford Notch pre-order due to be released in a week or two.

This is THE guide book for backpacking the White Mountains. It comes with paper maps but I'd advise spending the \$20 or so for the waterproof map set printed on Tyvek. They are much more durable in the range of weather you can encounter and resistant to sweaty hands. They can also be wiped clean if you drop them in mud or spill food on them.

Could not wait for this to come out. The trail info, the maps and the book are just what one needs to plan that adventure to the whites. The book now has new info that captures all the changes since the major washout from Irene in 2011. Lots of trails were impacted and the book has the new info. The write ups are well written and key to planning out a day hike, overnigher, a presidential traverse, a pemi traverse, or the dreaded Owl's Head death march. If you hike the whites and have just one book to pick from, this is the one. Steve Smith can sign it if you visit his book shop in Lincoln; great guy and an ambassador to the Whites.

I was torn as to whether or not to buy this guide as I was already purchasing AMC's Best Day Hikes in the White Mountains and Waterfalls of the White Mountains. Wouldn't these be enough? I went with a used copy and bought it anyway. Boy, am I happy I did! This book is amazing. The maps alone are worth the price. The book is small enough to carry in a pack (which was a concern) and the trail descriptions are great. I am heading to the White Mountains in 4 days and I have already marked the hikes I want to take and found them on the maps. I can't recommend this guide enough. I'm sure it will perform even better on the trail.

Every bit as useful as my 1969 AMC guide book was in the day. Essential equipment for any hiker who is more than a one timer. Found it to have very accurate trail times and descriptions. The maps alone are worth the price, however the maps are not laminated and are delicate. Photo copying pertinent areas and laminating the copies for trail use works well.

I was sooooo happy to get this in. When they say "comprehensive" they aren't kidding. from the written descriptions to the included maps, you almost feel like you know the terrain without being there. Be sure always too to check out their website for updates on safe passage of trails and other pertinent information when planning a hike no matter how short or long it may be and always carry this with you for a guide once you're out on the trails.

This guide book has helped me plan several successful adventures into the White Mountains. The maps are good for planning for extended backpacking trips or for just a day hike. They may not be as detailed of a map as I wanted at first but they contain the basic route of every trail and the book more than fills in the blanks. The book contains a very detailed account of what seems like all of the trails in the White Mountain region. I would recommend this book to anyone who is new to the white mountains, it has helped me plan successful trips in the past and will continue to help me on the adventures to come!

I admit - anything about the White Mountains is already a winner in my book, and as far as I'm concerned, the AMC can do no wrong. I guess in this instance I'm not the most objective reviewer. But this book is truly perfect! Really! I swear! This most recent guide is fabulous, as always. The trail descriptions are accurate, very detailed, and the three included maps (front and back) are easy to read and follow. I used them just a few weeks ago during a 5-day trip in the Whites, and I was very pleased. There is a lot of general info, as well, aside from the trail descriptions - history (natural and local), weather, hiking safety info, etc... The book is large, so I ended up copying only the pages I wanted to carry along in my pack. Perhaps they might want to think about converting to a ring binder book, as the CT Blue Trails books do: A Connecticut Walk Book West: The Guide to the Blue-Blazed Hiking Trails of Western Connecticut, Including the Metacomet and Mattabesett Trails. I still copy those pages anyway (and enlarge them), but the binder makes it easier to accomplish that. Plus you can insert and keep notes, clippings, other info securely within the book. My only recommendation is that they just do away with the paper maps and start including the waterproof ones with the guide instead. One waterproof map on its own is 10 bucks at the AMC @ Pinkham

Notch. So basically you might end up re-buying the maps. The Appalachian Trail Conservancy just includes the waterproof ones with their guides, which is smart. I'd prefer not to have duplicate maps. Anyway, this is THE definitive White Mountain guide. Accept no imitations!

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