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Be Expert With Map And Compass





Synopsis

The classic map and compass navigation guide-revised for the age of GPS GPS devices are great, but they can break, get lost, or easily be hampered by weather conditions, making basic map and compass skills essential for anyone who spends time outdoors. This popular, easy-to-use orienteering handbook has been helping people find their way for more than fifty years. Now updated to include information on GPS as well as current Web sites, references, sources, and photographs, it remains the book of choice for professional outdoorsmen, novice orienteers, and outdoor organizations as well as teachers, scout leaders, recreational hikers, hunters, and others around the world. Coverage includes understanding map symbols; traveling by map alone, by compass alone, or by map and compass together; finding bearings; sketching maps; and traveling in the wilderness. Explains basic map and compass skills clearly Fully updated edition, including information on GPS Includes up-to-date Web site addresses, references, and sources Features a fresh, rugged design Ideal book for beginners If you're looking to feel more comfortable in the wilderness, this updated guide is an indispensable reference.

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I first learned to use a map and compass for land navigation while I was in the army. This book is a simpler, clearer amd much less military method to learn. Clear concise language will get you to understand what you need to know to avoid getting lost in the woods and in staying found.

Be Expert with Map and Compass is a very good introduction to the sport of orienteering and the

compass and map skills required. The book is good value for money but for those with interests in hiking and wilderness travel, The Essential Wilderness Navigator is a more complete reference and is presented in an easy to follow style.

Most of the learning exercises are based on a sample map, this obviously comes with the printed copy. So the Kindle edition is totally useless without the map.

The book keeps referring to an example map which is not provided in the kindle edition making much of the book useless. And the companion website does not exist any more. The index has no links making it very difficult to navigate. As to the content it does not deliver on the promise about different compass types and GPS. Total waste of money.

Carina Kjellstrom Elgin has created a new edition of her late Dad's "bible of orienteering, compass use, and map reading." This is a must read and purchase for those not willing to put all their eggs in the GPS basket. No batteries, satellites, or expensive equipment is necessary - only a Bjorn Kjellstrom designed Silva or Brunton compass is necessary to always know where you are, where you've been, and where you're going. You should have this guide in you survival kit, along with your compass, dynamo/solar radio, fresh water tablets, etc., etc. Buy this book now! Perfect for holiday gifts for loved ones.

The Kindle Edition comes without an image of the 'Training Map,' which is referred to throughout the entire first half of the book. As this is a book to teach a skill, the fact that it does not include a digital image of the map being used to teach the skill is disapointing. The description for the Kindle version does not mention that the Map image is not included, which is an important piece of the book, don't buy the Kindle version if you are trying to actually learn how to use the land map.

I'm less than halfway through and have already learned a lot. this book is very informative, it is written so even laymen(like myself) can understand.

As other reviewers have mentioned, the book uses a sample map for many exercises and examples. Since there are a lot of exercises, and the map is not included in the Kindle version--Buyer Beware. I cannot recommend the Kindle version.Frankly, I am surprised that would issue a Kindle version of a book that is about developing practical skills, but leaving out materials

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