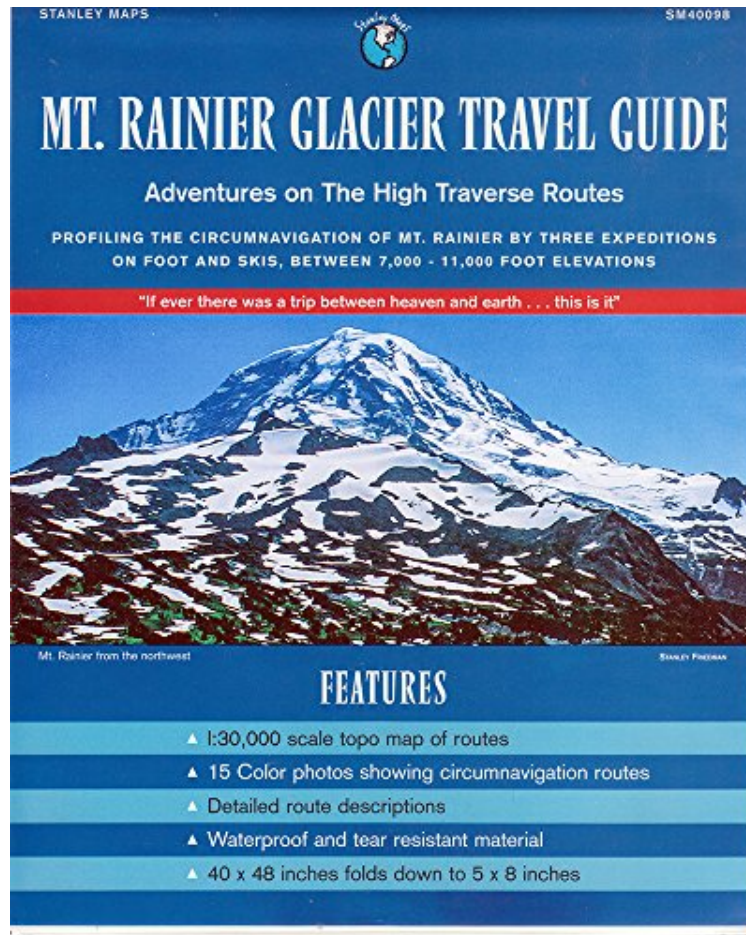


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"The High Traverse Route" One of Mt. Rainier's Best-Kept Secrets. Circumnavigating Mt. Rainier on the "High Traverse Route" (between 7,000 and 11,000-foot elevations) has been a seductive concept for many climbers. However, due to time constraints and a relative shortage of details about the routes, not many climbers or skiers have taken on the challenge. We have tried to eliminate the information shortage with this guide. The trek takes between four to six days to complete, requires reasonable weather, a strong body, lots of heart, and a willingness to put up with everything the Mountain can throw at you (crossing fifteen active glaciers, crevasses galore, whiteouts, and of course, avalanches). In return, you are rewarded with some of the most stunning scenery in the "lower 48". (Commercial

guided trips are now available.)The guide also tells three adventure stories as it follows three expeditions circumnavigating the Mountain -- 1969 (on foot), 1990 (on skis), and 1997 (on foot). You can follow each group's progress on a day to day basis by reading their daily journal entries, as well as checking their routes on the fifteen color photos that completely encircle the Mountain, plus the daily mileage profiles and, of course, the shaded relief topographic map (85 layers of info). All the information is color coded, by group, for ease in use. The guide is: \* 40-inches high by 48-inches wide; \* printed in six colors; \* printed on lightweight, recyclable plastic material that is waterproof and highly tear resistant; and \* folds down to 5 x 8-inches.

From the PublisherThe Mt. Rainier Glacier Travel Guide SM40098 was received with acclaim by the Mt. Rainier National Park administration, the park climbing rangers, and the Mt. Rainier commercial guide services. "They had never seen a guide with such an interesting format design. They also said that the map was the best map of the Mt. Rainier they had ever seen." The map acquisition section of the Library of Congress had a similar reaction. The U.S. Geological Survey (mapping division) thought so much of the guide, that they circulated it in their "outreach program", which informs other Federal Agencies of the advances being made in mapping. Professional cartographers, map publishers, etc., have described the guide as a work of art and an instant collector's item. Here are a few post-expedition comments from participants: \* Paul Baugher (Mt. Rainier Alpine Guides) - "If ever there was a trip between heaven and earth ... this is it." \* Will Murray (the Bolton Gang) - "If you seek adventure, spectacular scenery, and glacier travel experience, this is a must-do." \* George Dunn, lead RMI guide, holder of the record for most ascents of Mt. Rainier (1998), and also a Mt. Everest veteran, looking back after eight years - "This is still one of the finest trips I ever participated in on Mt. Rainier."