Coastal Washington is a wild ocean snuggled up to a wild land in the furthest corner of our Lower 48 states. The Washington coast is a unique adventure destination and this new guidebook covers all 157 miles of it. Whether you’re out for a single day of salt air and sand castles, or a week long backpack with surf lulling you to sleep at night, you’ll discover your best options with Washington’s Pacific Coast.

Author Greg Johnston has had a long and intimate relationship with this coast, and his voice is distinctive, passionate, often opinionated, and clearly knowledgeable. His authoritative guide provides detailed, fun, and family-friendly activities, as well as expansive information, history, and geology. (If Captain Cook passed by where you are, this guide will tell you and make the trip feel all the more satisfying.) In addition to numerous hiking options including some never-before-published trails Greg covers every state park along the coast, other public parks, campgrounds, fishing and clamming spots, paddling options, and the best beachcombing destinations. In addition to describing the abundant outdoor recreation opportunities, Johnston also delves into the rich cultural and natural history of the coast, as well as practical details such as tsunami preparedness, Leave No Trace practices, weather and ocean beach precautions, and more.

Billy Frank, Jr., has been celebrated as a visionary, but if we go deeper and truer, we learn that he is best understood as a plainspoken bearer of traditions, a messenger, passing along messages from his father, from his grandfather, from those further back, from all Indian people, really. They are messages about the natural world, about societies past, about this society, and about societies to come. When examined rigorously - not out of any romanticism but only out of our own enlightened self-interest - these messages can be of great practical use to us in this and future years.

In 1974 Federal Judge George H. Boldt issued one of the most sweeping rulings in the history of the Pacific Northwest, affirming the treaty rights of Northwest tribal fishermen and allocating to them 50 percent of the harvestable catch of salmon and steelhead. Among the Indians testifying in Judge Boldt’s courtroom were Nisqually tribal leader Billy Frank, Jr., and his 95-year-old father, whose six acres along the Nisqually River, known as Frank’s Landing, had been targeted for years by state game wardens in the so-called Fish Wars. By the 1960s the Landing had become a focal point for the assertion of tribal treaty rights in the Northwest. It also lay at the moral center of the tribal sovereignty movement nationally.

The confrontations at the Landing hit the news and caught the conscience of many. Like the schoolhouse steps at Little Rock, or the bridge at...
Selma, Frank's Landing came to signify a threshold for change, and Billy Frank, Jr., became a leading architect of consensus, a role he continues today as one of the most colorful and accomplished figures in the modern history of the Pacific Northwest. In Messages from Frank's Landing, Charles Wilkinson explores the broad historical, legal, and social context of Indian fishing rights in the Pacific Northwest, providing a dramatic account of the people and issues involved. He draws on his own decades of experience as a lawyer working with Indian people, and focuses throughout on Billy Frank and the river flowing past Frank's Landing. In all aspects of Frank's life as an activist, from legal settlements negotiated over salmon habitats destroyed by hydroelectric plants, to successful negotiations with the U.S. Army for environmental protection of tribal lands, Wilkinson points up the significance of the traditional Indian world view - the powerful and direct legacy of Frank's father, conveyed through generations of Indian people who have crafted a practical working philosophy and a way of life.

Drawing on many hours spent talking and laughing with Billy Frank while canoeing the Nisqually watershed, Wilkinson conveys words of respect and responsibility for the earth we inhabit and for the diverse communities the world encompasses. These are the messages from Frank's Landing. Wilkinson brings welcome clarity to complex legal issues, deepening our insight into a turbulent period in the political and environmental history of the Northwest. “The Boldt decision profoundly changed natural resource management in the Pacific Northwest. This book clearly builds an historical base to help guide us today. The wisdom and patience of Billy Frank fill virtually every page. It is required reading for anyone interested in salmon preservation.” - Governor Daniel J. Evans “Charles Wilkinson evokes the character and culture of the Nisqually people as well as their deep love for their land. From Chief Leschi to Billy Frank, we see the long thread of cultural continuity, culminating in modern times with this fight for justice.” - Ada Deer (Menominee), University of Wisconsin-Madison Charles Wilkinson is Moses Lasky Professor of Law at the University of Colorado, Boulder. He is the author of Fire on the Plateau: Conflict and Endurance in the American Southwest and numerous other books, including standard texts on Indian and Federal public land law.

The classic book on steelhead fly fishing and fly tying. Contains over 100,000 words on the subject. Chapters discuss geographical distribution of the runs and timing, early development of steelhead fly fishing and fly patterns, steelhead fly-fishing techniques and tackle. Over 200 steelhead flies are shown actual size and in color along with tying instructions and where and when they were originated and how fished. 90 photos and illustrations show how to fish the various techniques, read water, and tie correct knots. Beautiful book necessary for anyone interested in fly fishing for steelhead. This beautiful and definitive guide brings together the world's leading expert on North American trout and salmon, Robert Behnke, and the foremost illustrator in the field, Joseph Tomelleri. North America is graced with the greatest diversity of trout and salmon on earth. From tiny brook trout in mountain streams of the Northeast, to cutthroat trout in the rivers of the Rockies, to Chinook salmon of the Pacific, the continent is home to more than 70 types of trout and salmon. How this came to be, how they are related, and what makes them unique -- and so breathtaking -- is the story of Trout and Salmon of North America. The more than 100 illustrations of trout and salmon by Joseph Tomelleri showcased here exhibit a genius for detail, coloration, and proportion. Each portrait is made from field notes, streamside observations, photographs, and specimens collected by the artist. The result is a set of the most accurate and stunning illustrations of fish ever created. Robert Behnke has distilled 50 years of his research and writing about trout and salmon in completing this book. No one understands better than Behnke the diversity and conservation issues concerning these fishes or communicates so lucidly the biological wonders and complexities of their particular beauty. Also included are more than 40 richly detailed maps that clearly show the ranges of populations of trout and salmon throughout North America. An irresistible delight for anyone who appreciates natural history, Trout and Salmon of North America is a master guide to the natural elegance of our native fishes. Everything an angler needs to know about flyfishing.
Washington Steelhead Guides

Washington is in this comprehensive guide, in more detail than ever before in print. There has never been a thorough statewide guide written specifically for flyfishing in Washington. Much like Oregon, this state combines a high population of flyfishers with a host of prime flyfishing water. With steelhead and salmon runs, trophy trout in lakes and rivers throughout the state, and the occasional smallmouth and largemouth bass thrown in, Washington has something to offer even the most discriminating angler. This guide will show you maps with access points, river mileage, campsites, and more, for each river system, along with detailed descriptions of rivers, tributaries and lakes, with hatch charts for each. Our format makes calling fly shops for up-to-the-minute information or setting up motel reservations in a new area a snap.

Complete guide of how, where, when to fly fish using chironomids. Photos and helpful illustrations to help reader learn how to successful fish chironomids in stillwater.

Learn the switch cast, single spey, double spey, snake roll, snap T, and devon switch, and now the skagit cast. The efficient way for anglers to catch fish— including trout, striped bass, salmon, and steelhead— on big, moving waters. No other cast is more graceful, or more fun to learn, than the spey cast. Champion spey caster Simon Gawesworth teaches the casts, some of which he developed himself, all of which he has mastered as an angler and instructor. Revised and updated to include the latest trends, this new edition has a completely new chapter on skagit casting, a remarkably easy way to lift the largest flies and lines with the fastest sinking tips from the water— this cast is ideal for tight backcasting situations.

Here is the first major book devoted exclusively to the exciting world of big-game fly fishing. Trey Combs has found the prime destinations (from Baja, California, to Australia) for seventeen different species, and each has its own chapter: dorado, Pacific sailfish, Atlantic sailfish, blue marlin, black marlin, striped marlin, white marlin, albacore, yellowfin tuna, bigeye tuna, blackfin tuna, kawakawa tuna, black skipjack, skipjack tuna, dogtooth tuna, wahoo, Pacific salmon, and inshore gamefish. Combs provides a short history and fly-fishing strategies for each gamefish, as well as delightful anecdotes of his own fishing experiences. The book also includes important, up-to-the-minute chapters on tackle and teasing techniques, a major section on bluewater flies and poppers, and tying advice from such experts as Lefty Kreh, Bob Popovics, Rod Harrison, Winston Moore, Nick Curcione, Chico Fernandez, Steve Abel, Pete Parker, Richard Stoll, and many others. Combs’ s fine prose makes reading highly technical information easy and enjoyable. When you finish one of his books, you know he did his research. He has been where giant fish tear tackle apart and wear anglers out. Every one of his books is an adventure lived vicariously by the reader through the magic of Combs’ s pen. No big-game angler should be without Bluewater Fly Fishing in their library.

Anglers in the Evergreen State have no shortage of options when it comes to finding a place to fish, and plenty of choices about what to catch. Washington’s lakes, reservoirs, rivers, creeks, and marine waters offer a wide range of possibilities. This book covers them all. Armed with rod, reel, and plenty of wit, Terry Rudnick tackles more than 1,000 top fishing spots in this updated edition, from the smallmouth bass haunts of Lake Sammamish to the halibut-filled waters of Neah Bay to the Grande Ronde River, teeming with steelhead. The author includes tips on everything from the best baits and lures to techniques for mooching, trolling, vertical jigging, and more. Easy-to-use maps help locate even the most obscure destinations. Specifics on fishing supplies, groceries, gas, and lodging in each locale let the angler spend less time planning and more time casting.

Washington native Terry Rudnick knows the best fishing spots in the Evergreen State, from the marine waters of the San Juan Islands just a short trip from Seattle to the remote lakes of Northeastern Washington. Full of detailed descriptions of over 600 fishing locations, Moon Washington Fishing leads anglers to the best lakes, reservoirs, rivers, and coasts that the state has to offer, and it includes pages’ worth of Rudnick’s knowledgeable fishing tips and advice. Complete with helpful regional maps and thorough directions for each location, Moon Washington Fishing provides all the necessary tools to head outdoors.

Shows how to catch steelhead and salmon off the banks of the Pacific Northwest, covering such topics as gear, water conditions, techniques, and time- and place-specific advice.
cost-saving preparations to make before a trip. Billy Frank Jr. was an early participant in the fight for tribal fishing rights during the 1960s. Roughed up, belittled, and handcuffed on the riverbank, he emerged as one of the most influential Northwest Indians in modern history. His efforts helped bring about the 1974 ruling by Federal Judge George H. Boldt affirming Northwest tribal fishing rights and allocating half the harvestable catch to them. Today, he continues to support Indian country and people by working to protect salmon and restore the environment. Where the Salmon Run tells the life story of Billy Frank Jr., from his father's influential tales, through the difficult and contentious days of the Fish Wars, to today. Based on extensive interviews with Billy, his family, close advisors, as well as political allies and former foes, and the holdings of Washington State's cultural institutions, we learn about the man behind the legend, and the people who helped him along the way. Spectacular photography and in-depth local knowledge highlight these useful fly-fishing guides; many fly-fishers are enjoying the enormously popular "Blue-Ribbon Fly Fishing Guide" series. Each full-color book is filled with information on the fly-fishing in a particular state, including: successful techniques; productive flies and their patterns; hatch information; reading water; fish species; conservation issues; fly plates; local resources; map; and so much more. Useful and attractive, these guides are perfect for both visiting and local anglers. Finally, the ultimate book for Washington anglers. Fishing guides and expert anglers from across the state teamed up to create this essential guide. Learn the secrets of Washington's best rivers, including the "inside" information you need to experience the very best fishing Washington has to offer. Washington River Maps & Fishing Guide features 37 detailed maps covering over 1000 miles of river—and that's just the beginning. Each map is packed with information, including: Roads and river access points; Drift-boat and power-boat landings; Peak fishing times for trout, salmon, steelhead, sturgeon, stripers and more; Insect hatches and hatch-timing chart; Fly-fishing and conventional tackle techniques; Fishing knots & tackle guide; Important services & accommodations for anglers, and more. Whether you're casting from the bank or fishing from a boat, Washington River Maps & Fishing Guide tells you where to be and when to be there. Keep one copy in your car, and another in your office so you always have the information you need, when you need it. Pacific Northwest locals Terry Rudnick and Craig Schuhmann guide novice and experienced anglers alike to the finest fishing waters in the region, from Conconully Lake in Northeastern Washington to the Oregon Coast's Chetco River. Rudnick and Schuhmann offer thorough coverage of the lakes, reservoirs, rivers, and coasts they know best in this guide, supplying expert fishing tips and advice tailored to each spot, as well as detailed descriptions, maps, and directions so fishermen can locate even the most hard-to-find places. Complete with helpful "best-of" lists for a wide variety of fishing expeditions including Best for Steelhead, Best Family Fishing, Best for Fly-Fishing, and Best for Trophy Trout Moon Pacific Northwest Fishing provides all the necessary tools to head outdoors. The people, places, tackle, techniques, flies, literature, fly shops, photography, and lore of western fly fishing during the late nineteenth and twentieth century. History of shooting heads, weighted flies, woven flies, the double haul, spliced lines, stripping baskets, and more. Northwest fly-fishing innovations Development of unique fly styles west of the Rocky Mountains: Bailey's "mossbacks"; Pott's woven-bodied "mites"; Rosborough's "fuzzy nymphs"; and Pray's "optics"; among numerous others. The inventions, achievements, traditions, and lore of western fly fishing are explored in this unique book, which examines the contributions of twenty-three pioneers and legends from British Columbia, California, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, and Washington: Dan Bailey, Ted Trueblood, Zane Grey, Polly Rosborough, and Roderick Haig-Brown, as well as some not so well known like Harry Hornbrook, "Mooch" Abraham, and Ralph Olson. Written in an engaging style with original photographs and fly plates, the book documents the development of new and effective fly patterns, fishing methods, techniques, and tackle, all necessary for the unequaled western waters and their novel fish—five species of Pacific salmon, Kamloops trout, steelhead, and sea-run cutthroat trout.
Pacific Northwest describes and illustrates more than 400 bird species commonly encountered in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and British Columbia. This comprehensive, full-color guide is organized to follow the order in which groups and species are presented by the American Union. Range maps for each species provide valuable information for identification. Detailed accounts of nearly 400 bird species, including common favorites and rare curiosities. More than 870 spectacular photographs of relevant plumages and birds in flight. Precise descriptions of voices, behaviors, and habitats. Top birding sites in the Pacific Northwest. Individual range maps, showing seasonal and migratory patterns. Easy to use for beginners and experts alike.

FIELD & STREAM, America's largest outdoor sports magazine, celebrates the outdoor experience with great stories, compelling photography, and sound advice while honoring the traditions hunters and fishermen have passed down for generations. Adventure-minded anglers can chase the elusive, silvery steelhead with this book of techniques, revelations, and observations by an expert guide. Pointers include selecting the most effective fly for various river conditions, choosing the right tackle, adjusting to different water types, spey casting, and finding the most productive streams of the season. A chapter on why steelhead choose to take or refuse a fly is included.

Steelhead River Journal is a book series with each issue featuring one famous steelhead river in full color, authored by one writer who knows the river well. Color photographs show the river in all its seasonal moods. The angling history of the river is included as well as a fly plate showing the most productive patterns. A color map assists the reader in finding specific locations. Included is information about techniques, steelhead seasons, lodging, guides, tackle shops, and other sources of information for visiting anglers.

Steelhead Country is not just a collection of random fishing stories. It is a personal and lovingly crafted account of a life spent immersed in a tradition that stretches back generations. Acclaimed flyfisherman and author Steve Raymond paints a picture of the world of steelhead trout that is a realm of vast landscapes, of cold mountain rivers flowing down through silent, shadowed forests... of ragged coastlines honeycombed with hidden harbors and secret bays where bright rivers mingle with the sea. Raymond traces not just the journey of steelhead along the icy gray rivers of the Pacific Northwest but also his own development as a flyfisherman, recalling following in his father's footsteps and joining him on quiet waterways. Then, steelhead were more a myth than reality something he only knew from stories. He began to look anywhere he could for information on how to catch this unique, elusive fish, until finally, in a moment of adrenalin-filled excitement, he caught his first steelhead. Steelhead Country tells the story of a life in fishing in the same vein as Roderick Haig-Brown's A River Never Sleeps. Through the joys and challenges of fly fishing for steelhead, Raymond describes and pays tribute to his connection with nature and a great fishing tradition.

Skyhorse Publishing is proud to publish a broad range of books for fishermen. Our books for anglers include titles that focus on fly fishing, bait fishing, fly-casting, spin casting, deep sea fishing, and surf fishing. Our books offer both practical advice on tackle, techniques, knots, and more, as well as lyrical prose on fishing for bass, trout, salmon, crappie, baitfish, catfish, and more. While not every title we publish becomes a New York Times bestseller or a national bestseller, we are committed to publishing books on subjects that are sometimes overlooked by other publishers and to authors whose work might not otherwise find a home.

Many of North America's most beloved regions are artfully celebrated in these boardbooks designed to soothe children before bedtime while instilling an early appreciation for the continent's natural and cultural wonders. Each book stars a multicultural group of people visiting the featured area's attractions such as the Rocky Mountains in Denver, the Georgia Aquarium in Atlanta, Lake Ontario in Toronto, and volcanoes in Hawaii. Rhythmic language guides children through the passage of both a single day and the four seasons while saluting the iconic aspects of each place. Covering many of the state's most interesting places and features, including Mount Rainier, Spokane, Olympia, the Pacific Ocean, Puget Sound, Olympic National Park, volcanoes, the Cascade Range, the Hoh Rain Forest, Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium, Seattle's Space Needle and Pike Place Market.
As the saying goes, to catch a fish, you've got to think like a fish. Ultimate Trout Fishing in the Pacific Northwest instructs readers on how to think like a fish, but more specifically, how to think like a local trout! Trout fishing is a rewarding sport and it's easy to get started: licenses are inexpensive, good equipment can be found in all price ranges, and best of all, trout are plentiful in saltwater, brackish estuaries, lakes of every size, small streams and large, fast-flowing rivers. There's no need for an expensive boat either as trout can be fished from shore, by casting from a small boat or trolling in a float tube. Want to know when to reach for an Elk Hair Caddis or Tom Thumb pattern or just go for a worm? Where to cast your Madam X for maximum appeal? Tried and true advice from old-timers is combined with the most up-to-date information from fishing guides and the latest findings from biologists. This guide covers both fly and spin...
casting gear, recommended patterns and baits, as well as river, lake and ice fishing techniques, and information about trout found in our waters including rainbow and steelhead, cut-throats, brown and Dolly Varden char. With contributions from expert anglers and guides Phil Rowley, Ralph Shaw, Joie Cole, Matt Guiguet, Frank Dalziel, Kenzie Cuthbert, Bill Luscombe and Ron Thompson, here is an up-to-date and comprehensive look at all aspects of trout sport fishing in the Pacific Northwest. Fly patterns, step-by-step tying instructions, and fishing tips from hardcore West Coast and Great Lakes steelheaders. Includes over 30 tiers from around the country, ranging from British Columbia to Great Lakes. Features in depth analysis on topics such as important fly design characteristics, unconventional wisdom at the vise and on the water, and tying and fishing the popular style of fly known as Intruders. 14 patterns tied in detail with over 400 step by step images

Fishing and tying tips
Choosing the right materials
Gallery of flies from famous anglers and tiers such as April Vokey, Lani Waller, Ed Ward, and Trey Combs

This valuable fishing information was compiled year-after-year from the best sources by the writers, photographers, and map makers of "Fishing & Hunting News" - for nearly 50 years the major source of fishing and hunting news in the state of Washington. Conveniently collected in one book, this incredible storehouse of fishing information will help you and your fishing friends become more knowledgeable and successful anglers. Use "Washington’s Top Fishing Maps" to plan your fishing adventures for salmon, trout, steelhead, bass, walleye, halibut, perch, etc. Discover new fishing thrills in places you’ve always heard about but never visited! Read about a stream, lake, or saltwater, study the map, make a few phone calls or web inquiries, and then put on your discovery waders!

The most all-encompassing compendium of truly valuable information on steelhead ever written. Jack Hemingway

There are exceptional chapters on the fish itself; the tackle and techniques used to pursue it under diverse circumstances in such great steelhead rivers as the Deschutes, the Dean, the North Umpqua, the Bulkley, the Rogue and the Babine, and memorable profiles of the modern masters and the fly patterns they developed.

The old saying still stands, 10% of the anglers catch 90% of the fish. What separates these anglers? This book provides the answer that goes far beyond how to catch a fish. Professional Fishing Guides produce consistent action for their clients, and it is not done by luck. There is a science, an art, and a discipline behind the results.

Publisher of Kype Magazine and Fishing Hall of Fame author and guide, George Douglas, reveals the strategy and advanced thought process that provides anglers with a road map to success.

This updated and greatly expanded edition of Inland Fishes of Washington describes all the known native and introduced fishes found in freshwater habitats of Washington State. The authors have created a valuable reference for anglers, biologists, teachers, students, and environmentalists in the Northwest. This wide-ranging study summarizes current knowledge on the appearance, distribution, growth, reproduction, food habits, and longevity of these fishes. The descriptions range from the ubiquitous salmon and steelhead to the Olympic mudminnow, a fish found only in the state of Washington. All are here placed within the context of the many mutually supporting species that together make up the ecological network that sustains them. An overview of Washington’s topography and natural provinces clarifies the influence of geographical, historical, economic, and political forces on the existence of freshwater fishes today. The book provides instruction on the basic methods of fish identification, with keys and illustrations that bring together the traits and forms most useful in distinguishing species and subspecies. The authors are well known to fisheries professionals in the Pacific Northwest for their studies of fish, publications in professional fisheries journals, their university teaching, and first-hand experience in the field of fisheries management and research.

A fully revised, all-color edition of the most popular fly pattern book for the Northwest, including Western Canada, by the Inland Empire Fly Fishing Club of Spokane, Washington. The best 200 flies for trout, steelhead, and salmon. Each fly, individually photographed by Jim Schollmeyer, includes dressing, originator, and how to fish and tie it. Color paintings throughout.

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