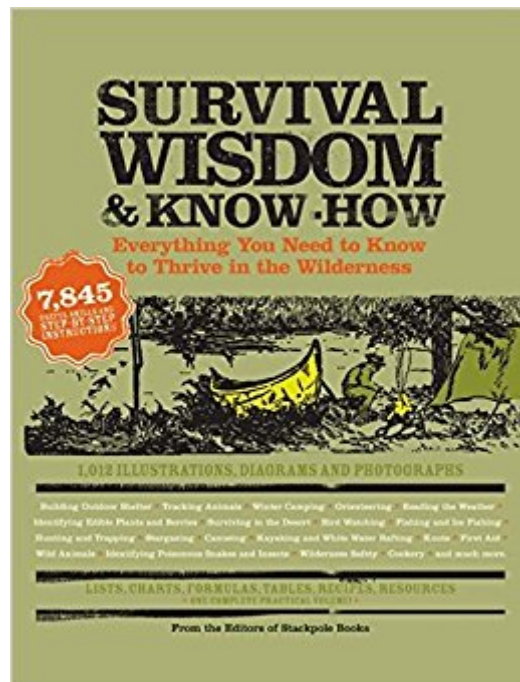


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# Survival Wisdom & Know How: Everything You Need To Know To Subsist In The Wilderness



## Synopsis

Survival Wisdom is a large-scale practical guide, jam-packed with information on every aspect of outdoor life and adventure. Survival Wisdom & Know-How is the most complete, all-in-one volume on every aspect of outdoor adventure and survival ever, from orienteering to campfire cooking to ice climbing and beyond. Culled from dozens of respected books from Stackpole, the industry's leader in outdoor adventure, this massive collection of wilderness know-how leaves absolutely nothing to chance when it comes to surviving and thriving in the wilderness—and appreciating every minute of it. Topics include Building Outdoor Shelter, Tracking Animals, Winter Camping, Tying Knots, Orienteering, Reading the Weather, Identifying Edible Plants and Berries, Surviving in the Desert, Bird Watching, Fishing and Ice Fishing, Hunting and Trapping, Canoeing, Kayaking, and White Water Rafting, First Aid, Wild Animals, Cookery, and much more. Useful illustrations and photos throughout make it easy to browse and use. With contributions by the experts at the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) as well as the editors of Stackpole's Discover Nature series, Survival Wisdom & Know-How is the definitive, must-have reference for the great outdoors.

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## Customer Reviews

An Excellent, thorough collection of usable survival tactics for the everyday person who has had little or no survival training. Possibly could be a life saver at the right time and place. This is an over-sized, soft back compilation of 480 pages of clear type and black and white illustrations that prepare one for just about any human need to stay alive on the face of the earth. Although it is bulky, it is soft and pliable, about two pounds I would estimate, and could be taken along in a back

pack, although it might seem more reasonable to study and learn the applicable parts for your outing and make notes to take along instead. A huge amount of information for an economical price.

I spend my summers working for a Boy Scout camp, so I figured this would be a handy reference when I picked it up. And indeed it is! It's a thorough and detailed account of every little survival or outdoor skill you could possibly want to know without writing a thesis on any one particular idea. I love the old-fashioned organization and appearance--true handbook style save for the size! Excellent resource! My camp boss is actually looking into picking up more copies.

i bought this book not realizing the size of it or the low quality paper and binding but im an very impressed, not only does it have everything you would need in the wild but it has step by step details and other ways of doing things from the u.s. army to the indians. a good buy

It was an awkward read at first then I realized it was compiled of several other pieces of work. It is a informative and interesting read but is barely scratched the surface of certain topics. It would be a great book for beginners to wilderness survival. Down side. The printing company it horrible. The book is in awful shape. The pages are ripped, crinkled and it even has chunks of pages missing! It is not due to past reader either. It is a brand new book! I was very angry. Fortunately it was not so messed up that I could not read it. I also want to mention that the book is rather large. Much larger than I expected. It is 13 inches by 10 inches and about an inch and a half thick. Compared to your average paperback book (7in x 4in) it is a big book. I hope your copy is in better shape than mine.

The advertised subtitle is wrong. It is NOT "Everything You Need to Know to THRIVE in the Wilderness." The actual book changes the word "Thrive" to the more appropriate term for this book: "Subsist." On the back of the book, they don't even say "subsist," but plain-old "Survive." Why? Because this is just another survival book, out of many like it, and it's a little outdated, too. To "Thrive" implies a level of success that is more comfortable and successful. "Thriving" in the wilderness is a level of living that more easily leads to long-term wilderness living. This book will only keep you alive until rescue, or resupply from society. You will only consider yourself thriving if your basis of comparison is the experience of a lost city-slicker with a knife. 15% of this huge book is just pictures of plants and mushrooms with black-and-white sketches and long written descriptions. Good luck trying to learn from that! Using this source, exclusively, to forage for mushrooms would be dangerous, too, as most species are poisonous, and most edibles have poisonous look-alikes.

You may not be thriving, subsisting, OR surviving on this information!! In the end, I was looking for a book that would build my skills beyond a 72-hour survival situation, or camping. This book is not much better than many other survival books out there. I like the book for what it is, but feel that "THRIVING" was an absolute oversell.

My first impression when it came out of the packaging was "OMG this book is HUGE!!" What a surprise! I ordered a "paperback" book, and in truth it IS paperback....but at 11 inches wide by 14 inches tall containing 480 pages, it won't fit on my standard bookcase easily. My second impression is "OMG this book has a TON of info in it!!" I guess it has to be as big as it is just to fit in all the info it presents while holding to one book, versus a series of multiple books. Good content, great illustrations. Overall I'm happy with it, but I have to read it at a table. It's too big to curl up in a recliner and read. Still, I'm satisfied. I wish I had been WARNED of the size, though. Next time I'll read the small print, for sure.

This book has some good material in it and is inspirational for the novice outdoors-person. The material is all compiled from previous publications by the "Author", thus some bits included are rather useless and no insights are offered. A large section covers modern fishing techniques using lures and motor boats as well as other skills not relevant to true wilderness survival. Almost all of the material in this book is included more comprehensively in books I already have and I was unable to find anything "new and exciting". The book is very large, think large coffee table book (13.5 inches tall) and is poorly bound (I was given 2 copies and they both began to lose the cover and some pages within a month). Another book good for the survival library and fun to peruse, but contains little of real value (unless it is the only book you have).

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