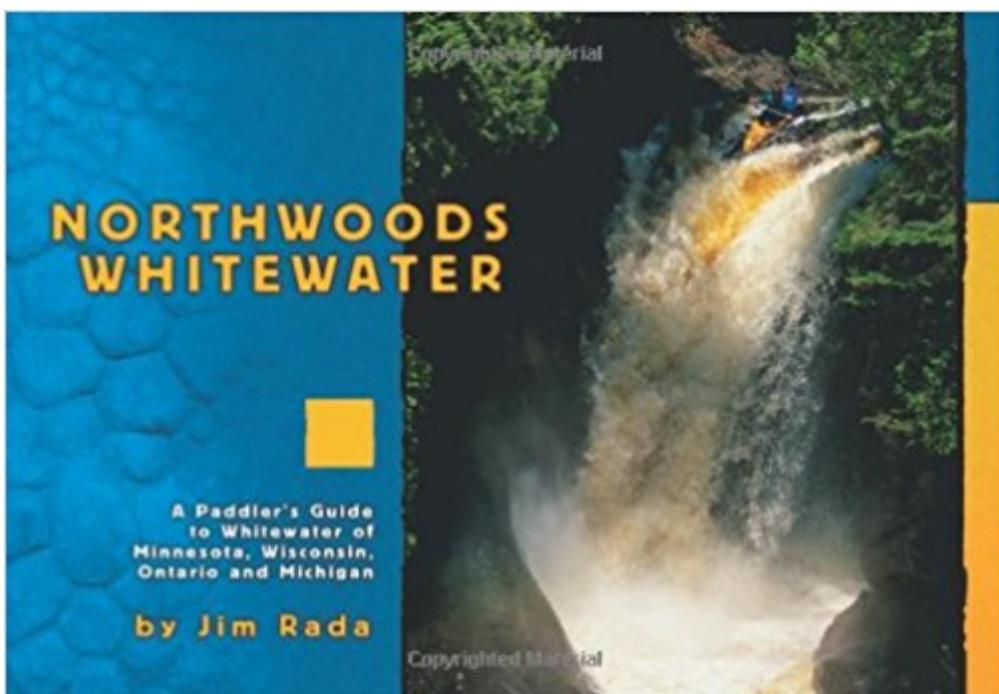


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# Northwoods Whitewater: A Paddlers Guide To Whitewater Of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Ontario And Michigan



## Synopsis

This guide for kayaking and canoeing the rivers of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan and Ontario is the result of decades of detailed and painstaking research. It helps those hoping to find, run, and survive the best whitewater in the Northwoods and evolved over the years from a clandestinely photocopied underground classic into this colorful, detailed edition. A comprehensive guide as well as a tribute to the man who created it, the book features technical yet spirited descriptions of the nooks and crannies of numerous rivers, falls, and rapids throughout the states of Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin accompanied by images and colorful tales of the author's journeys. A detailed rating system assists canoeers and kayakers in choosing the best river for their level of experience, while topographic maps and a user-friendly layout lead paddlers straight to their chosen whitewater rivers and creeks.

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St. Paul Pioneer Press: At first glance, the average reader will conclude Rada and his friends are nuts. There's Rada going over 45-foot Illgen Falls on the Baptism River. There's Paul Everson, who wrote the book's foreword, going over 22-foot Manabézhō Falls on the Presque Isle, where a sign reads, Beautiful but dangerous ... wading or swimming could end your vacation. But Rada's descriptions are compelling, even to those of us who never will wade through snow to run a freezing-cold Class IV river roaring with spring melt. We won't but we can marvel about the people who do. --St. Paul Pioneer Press

Kayak Magazine: The photographs pack enough adrenaline power to make you squirm in your chair. --Kayak Magazine

American Whitewater Journal: This book is a

comprehensive compilation of the intermediate to advanced level rivers of the Upper Midwest. It will get you to the put-in and the take-out of all of the included runs with a general description of most of the rivers, and elaborate descriptions of the most popular runs. --American Whitewater Journal

Jim Rada, a former University of Wisconsin professor, was considered by many to be a foremost expert on Northwoods whitewater kayaking. For 23 years, he paddled and painstakingly researched kayak-navigable rivers across North America and has been credited with the first descents of many rivers. Doug Nelson is a professional outdoor photographer, whose work has appeared in numerous national and regional publications. He lives in St. Paul, Minnesota.<

I knew Jim and had no idea the amount of paddling he did just here in the Midwest. A friend of his mentioned in the book got me interested enough to track it down. It will make for some great reading. When I attended Jim's wake I remember thinking: I outlived Jim Rada. How is that possible?

great book . very exciting stuff

Excellent book for whitewater paddlers. This area has a lot of good rivers with a lot less traffic than popular rivers down south. Excellent descriptions and info. I recommend this book to any outdoor person.

I'm proud to have had a copy of the original, photo-copied version, but afraid I've lost it. This one was lovingly created from that version and has amazing pictures to go with the truly useful AND entertaining information found in it. If you plan on kayaking anywhere in the upper midwest this is a must have book...or bring along a 30 year veteran who paddles more than a hundred of times a year.

The author's love of wildwater boating and his love for the scenic rivers described in this book gushes out of each page. The reader can vicariously descend these rivers and enjoy the rapids and falls seen through the eyes and spirit of Minnesota's premier kayaker --- The Commodore. For those lucky to have the time and talent to paddle wild rivers this book will excite and inspire a Spring paddle down the Brule, the Baptism and the Presque Isle.

Several of the stories in this book had a heart touching feel to them. The tale of his death was

especially moving. A must for any whitewater enthusiast. Great pictures and stories of this wild land.James

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