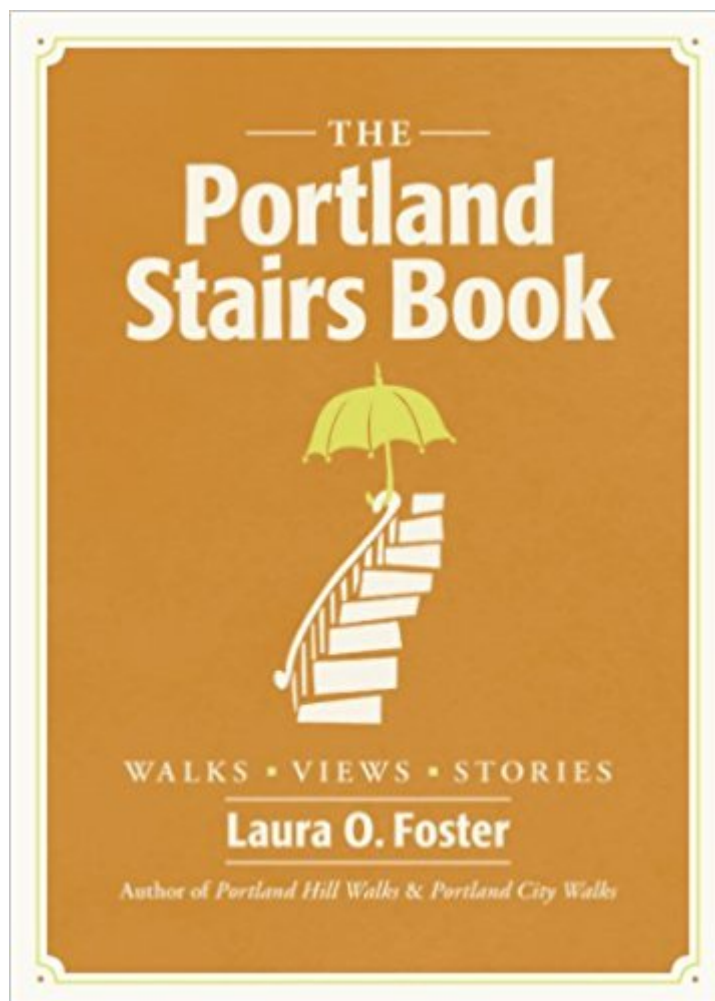


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The Portland Stairs Book



Synopsis

Portland has 196 public staircases, an irresistible asset to this pedestrian-friendly city. In *The Portland Stairs Book*, Portland's walking guru Laura Foster has gathered the best and most interesting in a handy pocket-sized guide. From Mount Tabor's epic 282 steps to the glass cupola atop 115 steps in Pioneer Courthouse, *The Portland Stairs Book* features details on twenty outdoor stairs that have amazing stories and something unique to offer an urban explorer. The stairs include the Willamette River Bridge Stairs, The Westover Terraces Steps, and Rocky Butte's Grand Staircase. The book also features indoor stairs that are perfect for a rainy Portland day and five Stair Trails that lead readers on urban treks that contain hundreds of steps in five different areas of town.

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The book is a feast of Portland stair facts and stories...with Foster's keen eye for quirky detail. (Oregonian) "Thanks to Laura Foster, the author of beloved local guidebooks, *Portland Hill Walks* and *Portland City Walks*, the city's treasure trove of noteworthy staircases are back on display. Foster is known for her firm grasp on Portland's long forgotten history, much of which we literally step over each day." (Portland Monthly) An ideal guide, full of fun information. (SciTech Book News) Perfect for urban flaneurs [or] history buffs. --NeighborhoodNotes.com

Laura O. Foster writes about Portland, Oregon and the towns around it. In her books, readers take long walks into urban neighborhoods: through streetcar districts and parks, up and down stairways,

beyond dead-ends, along river beaches, atop volcanic peaks and anywhere that a curious person would want to explore. She crafts routes designed to get urban walkers to places others often miss exploring, and her walks weaves geology, architecture, history, ethnobotany and horticulture into a story about each place. Every walk also passes through a local commercial district where coffee, beer, books, and other joys of urban exploring will be found. She designs her routes so that each one makes for a small urban holiday, good for locals and visitors too, who want to get beyond the tourist highlights of one of the nation's most walkable cities.

This is a great book with such interesting background stories!

i'll be doing a lot of exploring. thank you.

Bought this as a gift for an adventurous family member that lives near Portland, Oregon. This is something that they were interested in for exploring the area.

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great reading

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