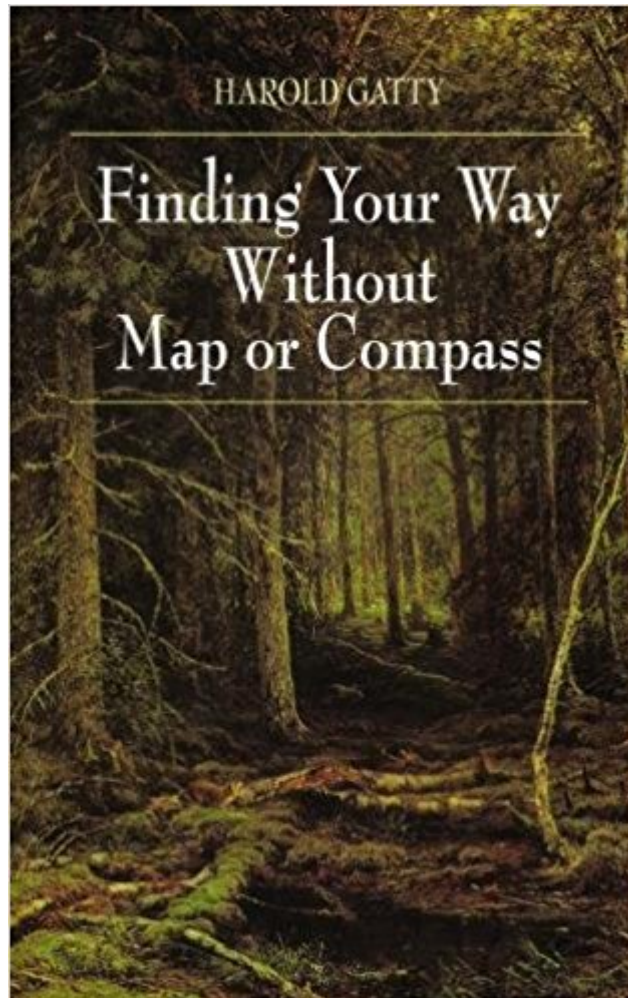




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Finding Your Way Without Map Or Compass



Synopsis

During his remarkable lifetime, Harold Gatty became one of the world's great navigators (in 1931, he and Wiley Post flew around the world in a record-breaking eight days) and, to the benefit of posterity, recorded in this book much of his accumulated knowledge about pathfinding both on land and at sea. Applying methods used by primitive peoples and early explorers, the author shows how to determine location, study wind directions and reflections in the sky, even how to use the senses of smell and hearing to find your way in the wilderness, in a desert, in snow-covered areas, and on the ocean. By observing birds and other animals, weather patterns, vegetation, shifting sands, patterns of snow fields, and the positions of the sun, moon, and stars, would-be explorers can learn to estimate distances and find their way without having to rely on a map or a compass. The wealth of valuable data and advice in this volume — much of it unavailable elsewhere — makes it indispensable for hikers, bikers, scouts, sailors, and outdoorsmen — all those who might find themselves stranded or lost in an unfamiliar area. Through careful study of this book and its lessons, pathfinders can learn to interpret signs in the natural world to find their way in almost any kind of terrain.

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Customer Reviews

The cover photo is a little intimidating, it's dark in there! Well written and somewhat reassuring, but a good guide if you are truly willing to open up, learn, practice, learn some more.

Found this book while doing some research for an online course and sermon series. As an

outdoorsman and former US Navy officer I learned various navigation skills. This book is a gem and classic that is a very interesting read. Being observant, learning to read the world around us is the key message it contains. Lots of value in today's world where most rely strictly on gadgets to orient themselves. When there is no gadget... you will wish you knew some of this valuable info.

Some nifty tricks to getting orientated and how NOT to get lost in the first place. Some of it is just good old common sense once you pick up on the ideas and techniques.

This is a classic, written on the basis of information gathered from many sources which don't exist anymore. Tricks and techniques used by aboriginal peoples, in various parts of the world, to find their way out and back without modern aids. Definitely worth having "between the ears" before you really need it, but in fact kind of fun to use on any outing beyond the front door!

Great resource for those interested in reading nature to be able to find your way out of a sticky situation.

You won't find this information elsewhere. OK well you might but you'll be amazed at what the book teaches using "nature" to navigate. The stuff in here is how indigenous people found their way before compass or GPS. Worth reading twice and then some. Amaze your hiking buds by showing them what you learned. They'll think you're a reincarnated ancient navigator! Heck! Might even save your life if you're lost.

Very interesting. Glad to get this book. Will take with me when camping in case I get lost!

I enjoyed this book, which has a treasure trove of information that only comes from experience.

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