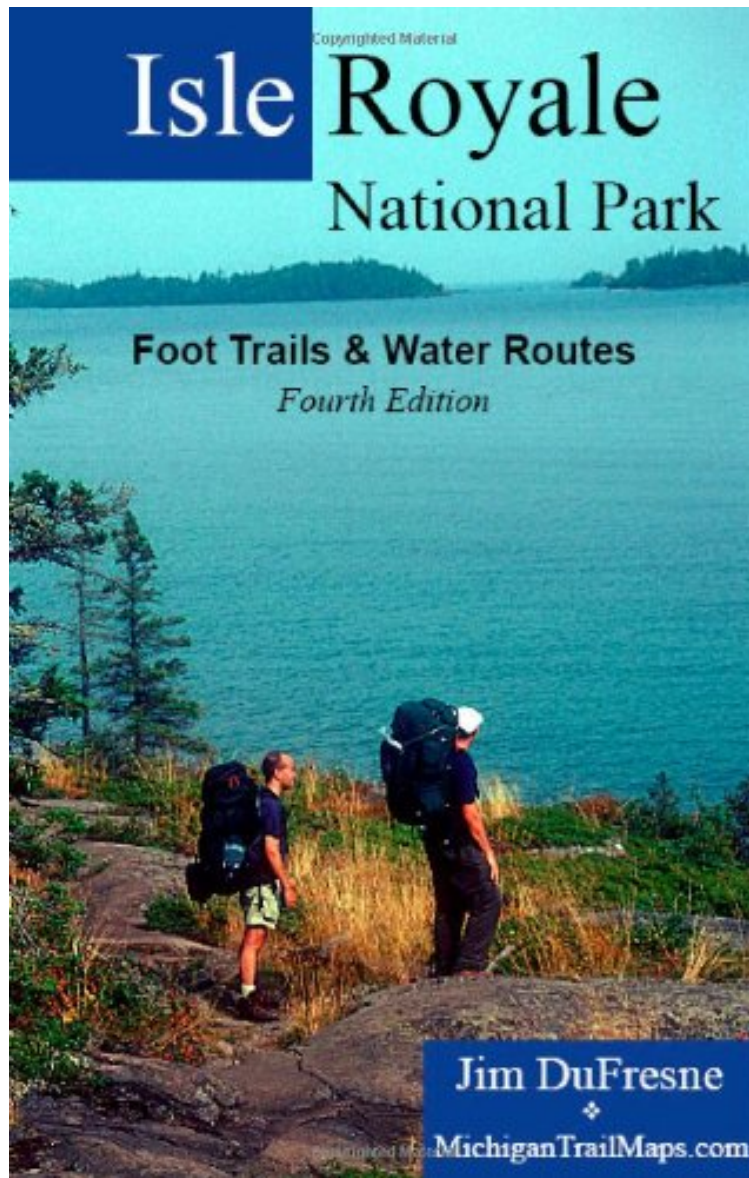


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Jim Dufresne : Isle Royale National Park: Foot Trails Water Routes before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Isle Royale National Park: Foot Trails Water Routes:

10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. Beautifully written, spot on descriptionsBy Jen H.My husband and I purchased this book before we hiked Isle Royale earlier this summer (43 miles from Windigo to Rock Harbor on the Greenstone Trail). Before we left, we weren't sure if we wanted to bring the book along, since it would add extra

weight. We decided to just stuff it in our packs... we didn't know when it would come in handy. It was fantastic. Every night before bed, we whipped out the book and read about what we could expect on our next day's hike. The author writes very descriptively, and we came to appreciate his words for their accuracy. I highly recommend this book for anyone, especially those visiting the island for the first time. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I bought this because I couldn't get the National Geographic trail map in time for departure and I'm glad I did. By Ann S. Interesting and informative guide. My son is hiking Isle Royale for a week with his scout troop. I bought this because I couldn't get the National Geographic trail map in time for departure and I'm glad I did. This was written by someone who has been visiting the island for over 50 years and has a real love and appreciation for it. Could have done without the description of the wolves taking down a moose! I prefer my nature Bambi-fied. 21 of 21 people found the following review helpful. The best guide to hiking Isle Royale. By Arthur Digbee. This seems to be the only guide dedicated to Isle Royale, so we are all lucky that it's a good one. He describes the hikes in some detail and describes the features of each hike well enough so that you can plan what you want to do. Dufresne divides the book into long hikes, short hikes, and canoe trips and portages. The long hikes are multi-day backpacking trips, while the short hikes are day trips out of the two ranger stations (Rock Harbor and Windigo). The book also has some helpful background information about the park and NPS rules. My only complaint is that the mileages listed for some long hikes don't capture the whole distance. For example, Dufresne counts the Feldtmann loop as 24 miles, starting at Windigo and ending at the junction of the Island Mine trail and the Greenstone Ridge trail. Sorry, but you have to get back to the boat, and it's another 7 miles to Windigo from that junction. This means that the loop is 31 miles long, not 24 miles. To avoid surprises like that, pick up the Trails Illustrated map of Isle Royale, which has mileages on it, to supplement this book.

Isle Royale National Park in Lake Superior offers a unique wilderness experience. Unlike many national parks where tourists spend only a few hours gazing at the sights, Isle Royale visitors stay in the park for an average of four days. Each year about 17,000 people journey to this magnificent landscape, drawn by its half-million acres of remote trails and its delightful chain of a dozen lakes. Animal sightings are plentiful; the island is home to everything from beavers to loons, moose to wolves. Readers will find this book a key reference in planning a trip to the island. Individual route listings include terrain, distance, highlights of the route, input and output sites, and the amenities available at each destination. Introductory material covers the park's campgrounds and shelter, wildlife, fishing spots, portage system, history, access, and data. Jim DuFresne first explored Isle Royale when he was nine years old and has more than five decades of experience on the island. While writing the third edition of this book, DuFresne chose to journey on foot, crossing many of the park's 165 miles of trails with just a backpack. An avid hiker who has trekked around the world, DuFresne has written more than 15 guidebooks, including titles for Alaska, New Zealand, Australia, and Nepal.

An excellent, thorough guide to the island, including detailed chapters devoted to hiking and paddling. -- Minneapolis Star Tribune
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