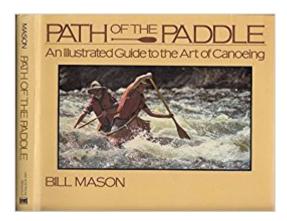


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# Path Of The Paddle: An Illustrated Guide To The Art Of Canoeing





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Over 40,000 copies sold! An acknowledged classic. Foreword by Pierre Elliot Trudeau. (1995) -- This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Originally published in Canada in 1980, this is available in the United States for the first time. The author (now deceased) covers both single and double paddling on flat water as well as white water. Since books on canoeing are limited, this may be a well-used addition to sports/recreation collections.-- Copyright 1989 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

The best book yet on how to canoe. (Globe and Mail)Besides its outstanding instructional value, this volume is entertaining and an artistic delight. (Paddler's News Bulletin)The ultimate book for the canoeist of every level of ability. (Canadian Camping) --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The book is in a very good state, just some small wear on the corners, but hey, it is used... The price was nice, so 5 stars. The path of the paddle is like a bible for canoeists. For the author, canoeing is much more than a physical activity; it is a philosophy and a way of life. On the cover he subtitles it "the Art of Canoeing". And an Art it is... Bill Mason has a very clear headed view on all matters concerned and manages to keep the writing very concise. The combination of the practical

and the philosophical makes the book both a delightful read and an indispensable manual. It makes you think. It makes you laugh. It makes you want to go out and get wet...05-31-2013, AlexTelemark

Path of the Paddle provides more than an instructional text, it introduces the reader to the art of canoeing. Mason infuses the practicality of the subject with a respectful dose of philosophic underpinnings that anyone who has ever slid a canoe onto the water's surface and experienced the joyful dance of boat, paddle and water will appreciate. There are many "how to" canoe books, covering the basic stokes and safety concerns, but this book conveys that information in a form that demonstrates the author's love for his craft. If you want to become a canoeist, not only do I recommend this book, I recommend finding and getting the video of the same title.

I bought this book years ago and loaned it out. I never got my book back so I found this one on and bought it. If you plan on doing some fast water canoe or kayaking this book is a must. I will never loan this copy out to anybody.....it is out of print so plan on paying some \$\$\$ for it. Stay safe and come back alive.

Wonderful old book, in great shape. Hard to go wrong with Bill Mason.

Very good read that will teach you all the strokes you need for canoeing all kinds of water. Bill mason loves the canoe and his book will make you want to get out on the water.

It's a great book by a great author, artist and paddler. The book arrived with a big vertical bend across the front cover. It didn't make a permanent fold or damage the printing, but I wasn't too happy about it. What do you expect for \$5, though, right? Delivery was slow as is typical for this type of purchase, but I was in no rush. Overall, an okay purchase for the price.

#### Excellent

A must for anyone learning to canoe. Makes a great gift and coffee table book. Bill Mason gives you what you need to survive a long canoe trip.

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