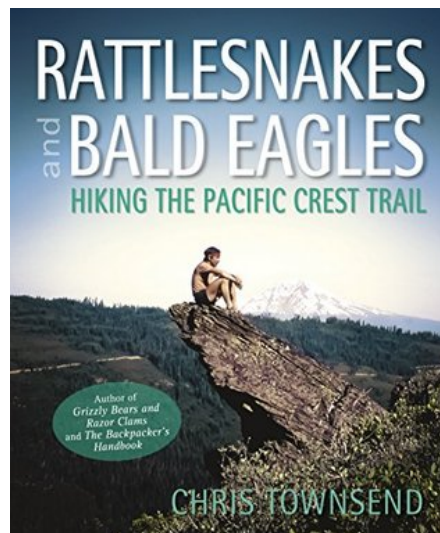




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As probably the world's most experienced long distance walker who also writes, Chris Townsend has many stories to tell and many photographs to illustrate them with. Of all his adventures, those he enjoyed on America's Pacific Crest Trail in the Eighties are among his favourites.

The PCT runs 2,600 miles from Mexico to Canada through desert, forest and mountain wildernesses. In Rattlesnakes and Bald Eagles Chris recounts not only his own six month walk but also the longer story of the Trail, and shares his ideas on how it is developing and where it is all going with his many readers.

Illustrated with Chris Townsend's photographs from his long hike, and earlier, iconic images, Rattlesnakes and Bald Eagles will be the definitive Pacific Crest Trail account.

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Gregp says

This is a great book about how the PCT used to be before it got crowded with thru-hikers.

Gregj says

The book chronicles the author's 1982 PCT hike in which he was one of only eleven people to complete the trail that year. The book reads more like a trail guide, which may or may not be what the average armchair hiker is looking for. I found it a little too sterile. As an example, the author walked the trail with several people for large sections and yet all we know about them is their first names.

Connie says

This was different than any of the PCT books I have read since his hike occurred in 1982, and there were no GPS units or high tech gear.

I originally picked up this book from the library just to read the section on Washington State since I will be travelling there soon and wanted to find a spot to do a day hike. But after reading that section, I started from the beginning and read the whole thing.

The photography was great.

He started his hike on April 3rd, my birthday and finished it on September 24th, my son Jeff's 1st birthday.

Paula Moros says

excellent. decent, thoughtful chap recounts the pct hike he did in younger days. great photos and nostalgia for times when paper journaling and buying and processing rolls of film was a big part of any journey.

Metasequoia says

I really enjoyed this book as I felt that it conveyed a realistic description of the beauty and hazards of the trail. It also convinced me that any thought of my completing the PCT is sheer folly!

Katie says

I've read a fair few books and blogs about the PCT and must say that this one, written in 1982 before I was even born, is currently my favorite. It told me more about the trail than about other people or hitchhiking or any of that and I loved it. I'll be looking into some of Townsend's other books after reading through this one.
