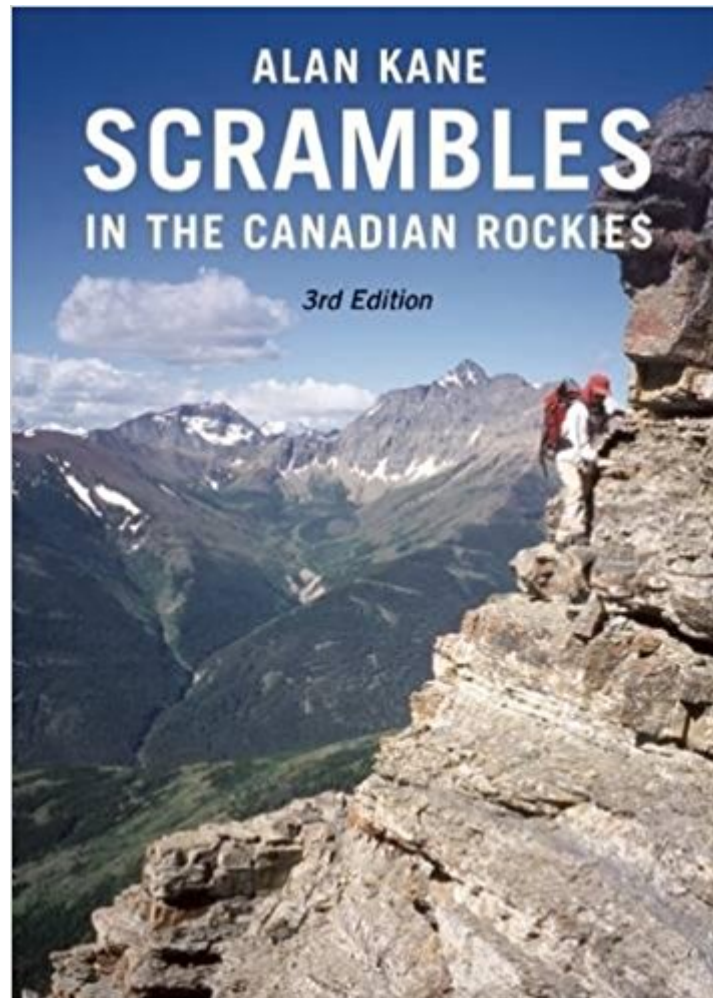




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Scrambles In The Canadian Rockies



Synopsis

The original edition of *Scrambles in the Canadian Rockies*, published by RMB in 1991, started a scrambling craze in the Canadian Rockies. No longer was reaching the top of those breathtaking peaks limited only to technical climbers; strong hikers with a sense of adventure found that they too could reach the top of many famous and stunning peaks. Armed with first-hand information, Alan Kane describes over 170 scrambles in a clear, concise format. This includes equipment needed, when to go, how to get there, where to park and what to expect as you work your way to the summit. Photos showing the ascent line complement descriptions that include historical trivia, origins of placenames and summit views. Routes range from off-trail hiking suitable for strong hikers to challenging routes at the low end of technical climbing where use of specific handholds is required on steep, airy terrain. Most ascents are day trips from a major road; many utilize a hiking trail on approach and include some of the most-photographed Rockies postcard peaks. The scramble areas begin in Waterton Park near the US border and continue north through Crowsnest, Kananaskis, Canmore and into the contiguous mountain parks of Banff, Yoho, Kootenay and Jasper. An overview of facilities, accommodation and climate is provided for each area. Specific hazards from rock quality to wildlife encounters are mentioned, including advice on scrambling safely. Guidebooks can be dry reading, but Kane's snippets of humor make the book entertaining as well as useful.

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--Matt Kirk, reader

Alan Kane was born in Banff, Alberta, and grew up in Golden, British Columbia. In 1991 RMB published his original Scrambles in the Canadian Rockies guidebook, which to this day is almost solely responsible for the widespread popularity of non-technical mountain ascents, or scrambles, out West. When he isn't hiking or scrambling, Alan may be found wandering along streams pursuing his other passion, fly-fishing. Alan is married to his very tolerant wife, Diana, and lives in Calgary, Alberta.

A nice update to the original - nice also to have bought the digital version to keep on my phone to have with my bird, mammal, plant apps. Keeps the weight down.

Good

Perfect guide

The author has been to all locations and has done an in depth job of description. His rating system is accurate and is NOT designed for casual hikers. It is for able and capable trekkers / climbers with lots of excellent information.

nice route maps and pics of many routes. quintessential guide for the canadian rockies if you are new to scrambling

took me a while to find a copy. if you are climbing in the canadian rockies, this is the guide.

Descent but not great.

This book changed my life. Was my "gateway" from growing up hiking on tourist trails with my parents, to actually getting into the mountains. This book has led to a lifelong love of mountaineering. Every scramble in here needs only strong legs, good boots, and the love of fresh

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