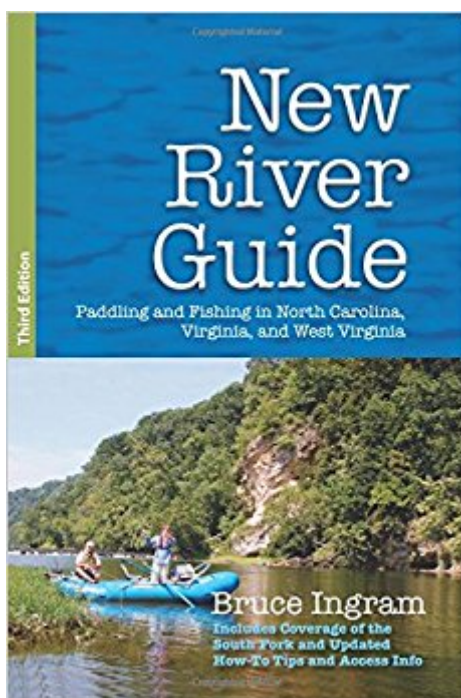


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# New River Guide: Paddling And Fishing In North Carolina, Virginia, And West Virginia



## Synopsis

The New River is one of the most changeable and fickle rivers on the East Coast and also one of the most beautiful and rewarding. It attracts anglers, canoeists, kayakers, rafters, bird watchers, rock climbers, and those who simply enjoy the great outdoors. The New River Guide provides an indispensable overview of this untamed and scenic waterway as it winds through three states, including the bucolic South Fork in North Carolina, the ridges of Virginia, and the gorges of West Virginia. Both casual and hardcore anglers will learn of the best places to fish for smallmouth bass. Canoeists will find the most enticing sections to paddle, whether they prefer placid stretches or white water. Rafters and kayakers headed for Class IV rapids in the New River Gorge will find The New River Guide a must-read. This new edition for 2015 includes updated and expanded information on favorite float trips, fishing spots, access points, bass lines and lures, and river guides and other resources.

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## Customer Reviews

Bruce Ingram has spent a lifetime exploring the woods and waterways of his native southwestern Virginia. He is a devoted fisherman, birder, hunter, and paddler, sharing his love of the outdoors in five books and more than 2,000 magazine articles. A high school English teacher by day, Ingram lives with his wife Elaine in Troutville, Virginia. They have two children and two grandchildren. The Outdoor Writers Association of America has honored Bruce six times for writing excellence.

Not for NC fishermen. He really doesn't give the detail I expected for the North Fork or especially

the South Fork of the New River. Most North Carolina kayak fishermen fish the South Fork of the New, which joins the North Fork only a few miles before the VA border, and this area gets very skimpy coverage in the book. I expected more since it had the NC part in the title. FWIW... I expect information about portages, slopes of put in/take outs, distance between bridges/landmarks to last or next take out (to measure my journey). I can find spots to fish on my own.

Bruce is a great guy and a hell of a fisherman. Anyone wanting to learn more about the New River will want to buy this book.

great guide. would not think of going on a float without referencing it

Have used it a couple times. Pretty accurate descriptions. Very helpful.

I have yet to read it cover to cover but I most certainly will. I moved to the area and love fishing and floating rivers and I honestly think this is the only book I am going to need. It gives great descriptions of the river sections and the fishing involved. I have done several of the floats so far and find the authors insights and descriptions to be spot on. If you're going to fish the New River for the first time buy this book.

This is a good guide, but the author is too cautious about every aspect of the outdoors. Most things that are enjoyable or are worth doing include some element of risk. Knocking back a few beers while you're canoeing, jumping off rocks into the river, pushing the upper limits of your paddling ability, etc. are what makes life enjoyable. If you are going to be a worry wart, just sit on your couch.

He lists a whole bunch of lures, tells you to fish deep ledges, then most of the book is river guidebook which can be obtained from a reputable river guidebook, or even better, from the Internet.

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