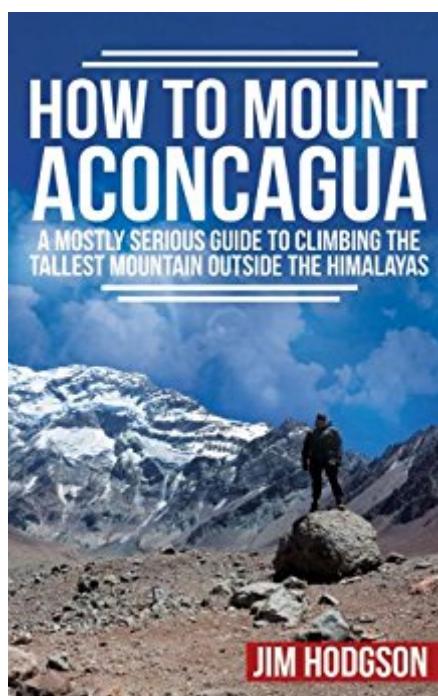


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How To Mount Aconcagua: A Mostly Serious Guide To Climbing The Tallest Mountain Outside The Himalayas (Mostly Serious Guides)



Synopsis

Considering an Aconcagua climb? This efficient book includes a hilarious day by day account with detailed descriptions of the challenges facing a climber on Aconcagua, such as when to wear your Crocs, which pop music divas to enjoy, and the challenges of pooping at high altitude. Everything you need to know about what it's like to attempt to summit Aconcagua is inside, served up on a tasty bed of humor. Join the author in taking on the adventure of a lifetime without taking it too seriously.

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Customer Reviews

I picked this up on the recommendation of a friend and was glad that I did. I felt a kinship with the authors sense of wit, determination, mental focus, and respect for the mountain. I found it useful to buck tradition and read the appendix prior to the main text as this gave me a bit more of an understanding as to what thought goes into gear prep and selection. I found the personal "man"-ecdotes to be quite amusing, namely the potty humor. The author did a great job describing the physical toll paid on the mountain and the disdain between the author and one of the secondary antagonists Phil, if that is even his name, was palpable. It would have been interesting to have

gained Phil's perspective on the adventure. The author's guide enables a mountaineering neophyte such as myself gain a healthy dose of respect for the physical and physiologic demands faced when tackling such a feat. As such, I will be able to continue in my endeavor to live vicariously through others and never attempt mountaineering. EVER.

The mountaineering field needs more books of this type. The book can be read in a one sitting, and it gets the message across quite well in terms of what to expect on the mountain. I am definitely getting a copy or two for my friends. Sometimes the author gets carried away a bit too far to my liking into his humorous off-topic excursions. Also, I got a feeling that he got exhausted by the time he got to chapter on the summit day (from the humor or from the altitude) and wrapped it up somewhat hastily.

A short and sweet diary of the author's climb of Aconcagua. Even though it is written with humour I found it useful as a serious and practical guide, describing the good and the bad things about climbing Aconcagua. As an appendix it even includes a gear guide. If you want a short, fun, easy readable and down to earth briefing on Aconcagua before climbing it, I would definitely recommend this book.

I am going to Aconcagua in just over a month and have been looking for books on the topic to help me better understand what I am up against. This was an entertaining read but also included some useful tips to help prepare - as well as a good appendix on things to pack. What it lacks in linguistics and prose, it makes up for in, well that's for you to figure out. Just go ahead, buy this book.

How to Mount Aconcagua is my second favorite book about mounting Aconcagua. I definitely recommend picking this up and buying a few more to give as gifts this holiday season!

Picked this up expecting something completely different. I was extremely happy with the outcome and the read. Puts a good comical twist on a tough sport. Read it in one sitting because it kept me entertained. Highly recommend this book. And yes Jim, leaving a review on like you mentioned.

Enjoyable read with a unique brand of humor. Aconcagua however is no joke. Hodgson's will-power and determination to summit (or mount) are commendable. An inspiration to all. Btw, the Alan character is amazing - I bet he is one awesome dude!

This guy is as funny as Aconcagua is hard to pronounce. A must read for avid climbers and Fattbutt Joes alike.

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