



Journey on the Wild Coast

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A Long Trek Home cover

From the Puget Sound to the Bering Sea: Four thousand miles along the edge of the Pacific, by foot, **packraft**, and skis. Working to communicate the broad environmental issues facing this region.

Now available as a book: [A Long Trek Home](#) and a **movie!**

What have we done?

From June 2007 to June 2008, we traveled 4000 miles from Seattle to the Aleutian Islands - solely by human power. This unprecedented expedition took us along the northern edge of the Pacific Ocean - through some of the most rugged terrain in the world - by foot, **packraft**, and skis. This year-long journey took us through summer, fall, winter, and spring - from the Puget Sound to the Bering Sea.

Why did we do it?

The Book: [A Long Trek Home: 4,000 miles by boot, raft, and ski](#) from Mountaineers Books!

This was a journey to raise awareness of natural

resource and conservation issues along our route by learning about them in the broadest and most intimate way possible: 4000 miles - step by step.

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corners of the world, the fate of much of the land is still being decided. The mission of our journey was to explore, study, and communicate the key environmental issues facing this coast; clearcut logging in the rainforests, the **wild salmon populations** and other fisheries, mineral resources like **metals, coal**, and oil, and global climate

change.

In four thousand miles of coastline, we visited areas well explored by suburban commuters and areas rarely visited by a modern human being. Parts of this coast are as wild and remote as anywhere on earth. We saw places where development has been done well, and places where it has been done badly. We walked through places far from the public eye, but in the center of environmental battlegrounds - and everywhere we went, we talked to people.

What are we doing now?

Our Wild Coast expedition was neither the beginning nor the end of our adventuring ways. Check out the



latest plans/expeditions on the [Journeys page](#), and see the [blog](#) for regular updates on our exploits.

Other Essays from "A Long Trek Home:
[Skiing the Chuitna coal prospect](#)

[Into the Storms](#)

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