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Hut to Hut USA: a guide for hikers, bikers and skiers introduces hut-to-hut travel, both the idea and realities, to American audiences for the first time. The authors present detailed itineraries and descriptions of 16 hut systems from CA to Alaska, from Maine to Minnesota, and throughout the intermountain West. The book (paperback, 336 pages, \$29.95) is packed with practical planning tips, and includes 45 maps and 100 color photos

You don't need to go to New Zealand or Europe to enjoy the magic of hut-to-hut travel! Laurel Bradley and Sam Demas walked, skied and/or biked 599 miles of trails, explored all 16 US systems supporting multi-day treks from hut to hut, and wrote a detailed chapter on each one. In addition, a chapter on Bonus Huts outlines a variety of other hut opportunities in the USA.

With this publishing first, the authors aim to expand Americans' understanding of this unique recreational format of trekking for days on end with a cozy hut welcoming tired travelers at the end of each day. They provide historical perspective on huts in the USA and abroad, survey huts around the world, and report on how huts are used for environmental education, conservation, therapy and spiritual development. And the authors muse on future roles for huts in the era of climate change and how huts might help address human impacts on our precious wild lands.

Published by Mountaineers Books in Seattle and released October 1, 2021, *Hut to Hut USA* will be available wherever travel and guidebooks are sold.

For a glimpse at the table of contents, a map of US hut systems, and other front matter, see www.hut2hut.info.