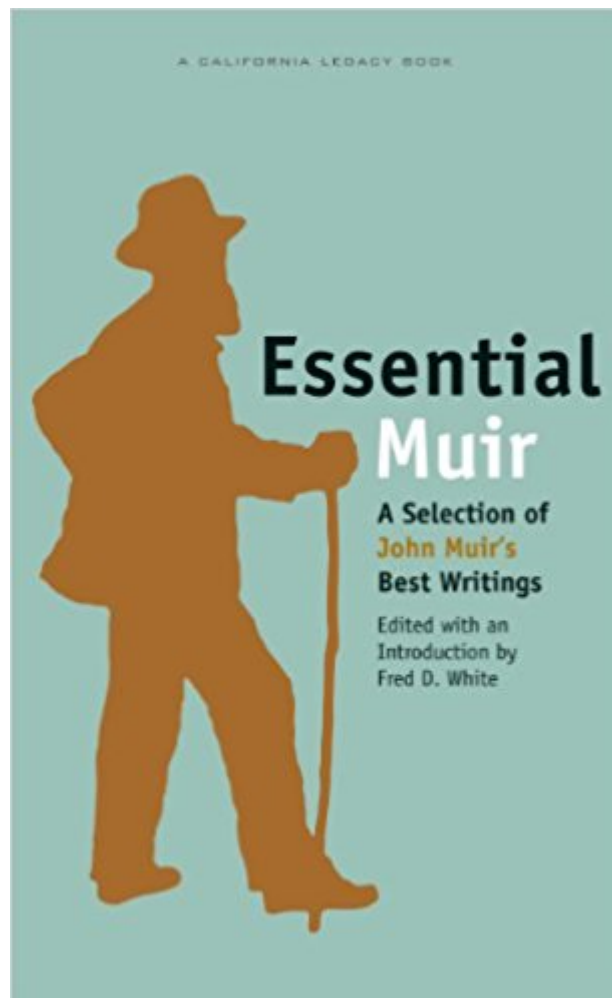




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An introduction to the great "poetico-trampo-geologist-botanist and ornithologist-naturalist" Preservationist. Inventor. Lobbyist. John Muir was many things at once, and he is California's best-known icon--so much so that his image was chosen to appear on the new state quarter. But the best way to know the man who founded the Sierra Club and helped create Yosemite National Park is to read his own words. Essential Muir is the second volume in the California Legacy Essentials Collection. Taking the best of John Muir's writings on nature--in which he waxes ecstatic even as he accurately describes the scientific attributes of a flower--as well as his thoughts on religion and society, this book presents a fresh look at one of California's greatest literary figures. His love for nature was so powerful--and his description of it so compelling--it still inspires us a century later.

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John Muir was born in Scotland in 1838, and made many expeditions to Alaska and the Sierra Nevadas in California throughout his life. After his adventure with Stickeen in 1880, Muir continued to travel the world and educate people about Yosemite and the natural world. Muir died in 1914. Fred White is an associate professor of composition and directed the writing program at Santa Clara University from 2003 to 2005. His books include *The Well-Crafted Argument* (with Simone Billings), *Lifewriting*, *Communicating Technology*, *Science and the Human Spirit*, and *The Writer's Art*.

Mr. Muir was an interesting person. I enjoy his writing and love reading about the country before it was covered in concrete.

...from a prolific writer. This editor has done a good job sifting through and selecting Muir's most characteristic and intriguing works.

This is such a wonderful introduction to the writings of John Muir. I'd highly recommend it for anyone who enjoys and appreciates the natural resources and landscapes of the United States. I loved how it balanced his time out west (which he is probably best known for) with his earlier writings and ventures back east. It is very encouraging to see where he came from and how he stayed true to his passions.

Very informative

I didn't know what to expect from this collection. So sweet and insightful. It's something I can pick up and read a little bit at a time. They chose great selections.

We're getting ready to hike the JMT and wanted to know a little about John Muir. This book is a great overview. Now, we want to get all the books included in this selection.

Great read!

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