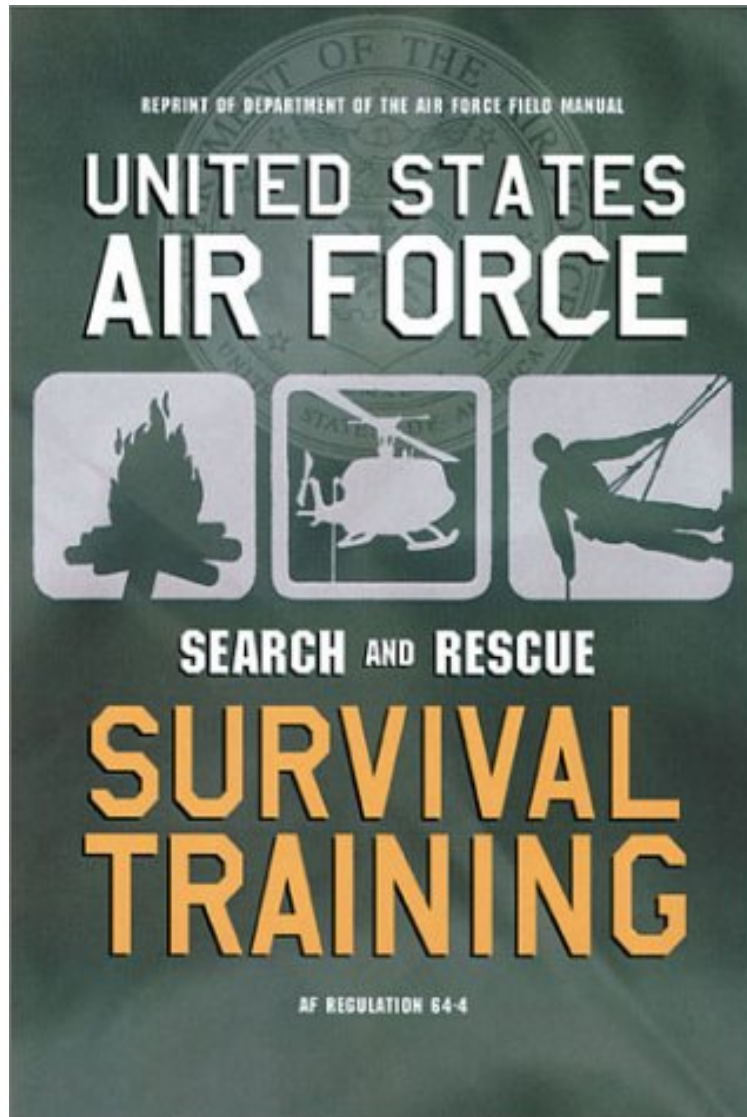


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because it is one of the books recommended in BushCraftBackpacking circles. So my review is based on it's effectiveness at doing that. The first 2 sections are summed up as such...(S.T.O.P.A.) Stop, Think, Observe, Plan, Act.... Sounds nice, but the info was so broad as to be considered useless. People who have no experience won't understand it, and people who do won't need it. It's 52 pages of this, so disappointment was high. Could have been 5 pages or less. Not only that, but this same set of guidelines is repeated at length throughout every section, again, and again, and again..... The book wastes well over 100 pages saying the same things in every section. This book is so long, I wrote another review, but deleted it, because it was over two pages long. Here's the gist of the rest of the book..... Medicine could be skipped as there just isn't enough depth to help with wilderness survival..... Weather and Geography read twice, great section..... Plants and Animals skipped (too few photos)..... Outdoors section skipped, get a real bush crafting book..... Food/Water skimmed, some good advice..... Navigation skipped (Double skipped) it was poorly organized, wasn't bad information, just more complicated than it had to be..... Land Travel 17 pages, should have been 5..... Rough land travel (mountain climbing) was great, I really liked it..... Signaling and recovery was useful..... Escape and Evasion seemed a waste..... Nuclear/Chemical attack sections were somewhat helpful, but pretty sure updated information is much needed.---Here are some highlights: Pro's and Con's---Con: Break your compass to get the lens out and use as a magnifying glass to start a fire (OMG don't ever do this). Pro: Use this plant to poison fish in a pond or stream, but is still human safe. (I loved that section). Con: Use your watch to tell what North and south is. (experts around the world tell you this errors so much, just don't do it) Pro: Straight lines are easier to spot from planes searching for you. Conclusion: I would definitely read this book before picking up something like Wild Wood Wisdom (1945) or any of the other old BushCraft books. This book was written with a serious mindset, and was as researched as well as it could be for the time it was written (1985). Obviously there are many wasted pages here, but I do feel the full spectrum was covered, and with far more depth than many other outdoor books I have read. (Note: I haven't read the SAS Manual yet, on it's way). 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. It is fantastic. If the reader is looking for a lot ... By Kerry Jackson Boy Scout handbook on steroids. It is fantastic. If the reader is looking for a lot of firearm info, this is not the book. This book is filled with "keeping your butt alive info". Tons of information on multiple topics. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Very Nice Book By Harold Seelig Extremely detailed handbook, essential for any survival scenario.

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