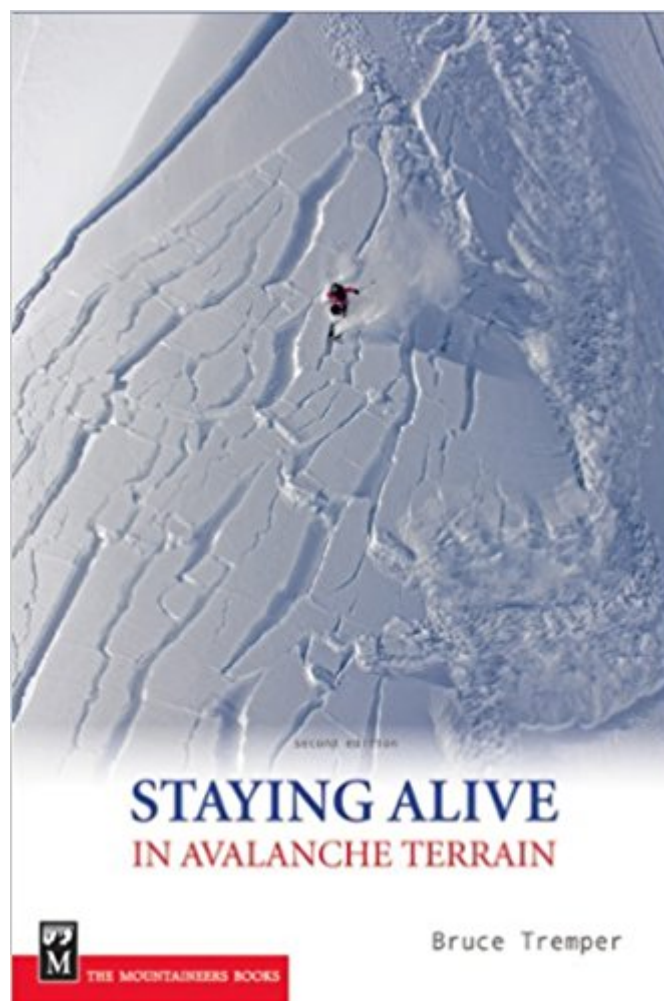


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# Staying Alive In Avalanche Terrain



## Synopsis

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Winter recreation in the backcountry has increased steadily over the years and so has the number of deaths and injuries caused by avalanches. As search and rescue teams are increasingly strapped for funding, self-education has become a larger necessity for snow-sport enthusiasts. The new edition of Bruce Tremper's seminal book is organized according to the structure of American Avalanche Association classes and all chapters have been updated and reviewed by peer experts.

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"This new edition of Bruce Tremper's seminal book, *Staying Alive in Avalanche Terrain*, maintains the easy-to-understand style of its first edition, making the information accessible even for snow-sport novices, yet also technically insightful for snow safety veterans." (Cross Country Skier)  
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"If you are considering a career as a snowy sports professional in North America then this book is an essential text; for others it is a useful reference point for a deeper understanding of what is both a simple and complex subject." (Roger Payne The

BRUCE TREMPER is the director of the Forest Service Utah Avalanche Center and coordinated backcountry avalanche safety preparations for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City. He is one of the nation's foremost experts on avalanches, and has appeared in news reports and documentaries produced by National Geographic, PBS, and Discovery Channel, among others.

I have to agree with what I believe to be the majority - those who state that this is THE book to purchase if you buy only one book on Avalanches. In the review title, I state that the book makes a complex topic intelligible. You have to understand that this isn't simple material. Any book on avalanches should be read with the attention that you'd give any textbook. It's your life, after all, and even the experts are learning on a day to day basis. To think you could flip through a couple of hundred pages and know it all is unrealistic at best, and delusional at worst. Having said that, Bruce does a great job at making the learning "stick". I already had the first edition and purchased this second edition to get current on updates. Snow science is evolving. There's no substitute for hands on training (e.g. Level-1 course given by a certified AIARE provider - <http://aiare.info/>), but a book like this is an excellent companion ... to be read both before AND after your course.

A must read if you're traveling in the backcountry during winter. Awesome book. I will re-read this book before every season, to remind myself and to not forget things. keep me on my toes

Well worth grabbing this book if you are learning about avalanche terrain for snowshoeing, mountaineering or backcountry skiing

Great book! Very informative and seems to include all of the basics with decent depth. I am getting into backcountry skiing and had a last minute trip to Wyoming planned so I did not get a chance to do a level 1 course ( instead I did an intro class). After discussing the book in depth with the trip mates. A majority of information from the classes is covered in the book. The Intro class also included many of the same diagrams and photos (the book was recommended and used as a source). It's a great book but it can clearly not make up for the hands-on training from a level 1 class or from experience in the field which I do not believe can be replaced by books.

If you are going to be playing in the backcountry do your friends, family, and yourself a favor and

buy and read this book. Also enroll in some avalanche classes! The "bible" of the backcountry.

Words can't describe how valuable this book has been in my personal search for Avalanche knowledge and tips for staying safe in Avalanche terrain. This book can't replace the hands on experience of an Avalanche course, but it will teach you pretty much everything else you'll ever need to know about backcountry safety. Bruce Tremper is a true expert in his field, and a great writer too. I've read this book cover to cover three times. I'd read it again if I thought I had anything more to gain from this wealth of knowledge. 5+ stars. Buy this book.

Lots of good info, hopefully enough to keep you safe in the backcountry.

I've read 7-8 of the best rated avalanche books & this one is, by far, the best. Flipping thru, it can see a bit technical, but Bruce actually provides very understandable context for all topics & weaves the subject matter together in a very coherent way. He's not pedantic, instead, is clear and straightforward (with some wry humor). It's so chockfull of content that reading it multiple times is recommended. Many thanks to Bruce for imparting his wisdom...

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