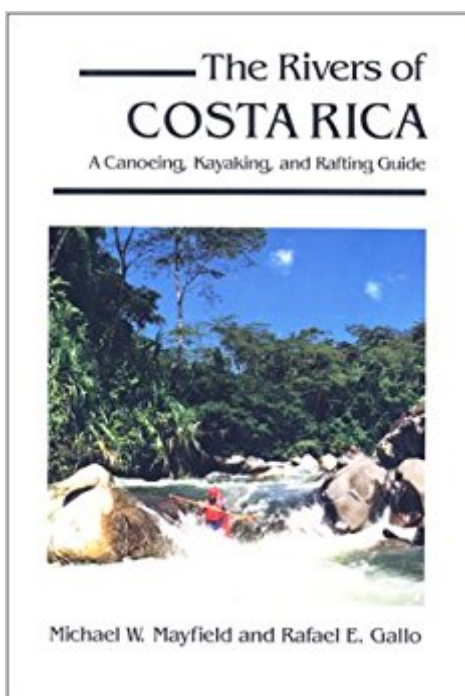




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The Rivers Of Costa Rica: A Canoeing, Kayaking And Rafting Guide



Synopsis

From the easily accessible Rio General to the remote Telire river, Mike Mayfield and Raphael Gallo describe in detail the prize jewels that are The Rivers of Costa Rica. Mayfield and Gallo's description of the area prepares anyone for any type of travel to Costa Rica. Learned and experienced advice about traveling to and in Costa Rica as well as sections covering the geography, climate, and hydrology are valuable before as well as during this tropical adventure. Regardless of your interests or travel plans, this guide is fascinating and informative reading about a paradise that quickly becomes reality with each page you turn.

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This book is slightly dated - a revision is in the works from what I can tell of Web based updates. It is still the most comprehensive and detailed guide available to both kayakers and rafters (although it is written primarily for kayakers). Dozens of rivers are covered as well as many of their individual rapids, peculiarities, specifications, and best times to run. By teaming a scientist up with Raphael Gallo (paddler and President of one of the top river outfitters in Costa Rica - Rios Tropicales) you get a balance of technical information as well as practical information with some good photos to boot. This book is mandatory if you are a serious paddler who wishes to explore Costa Rica.

This book has a lot of strong points, but the maps are poor and so are the driving directions. Basically I can't help thinking that the authors want to tantalize paddlers into coming to Costa Rica,

but they do not want to empower them to put together their own trip. The other reviewer noted correctly above that one of the authors owns a rafting/kayaking tour company. Of course they don't want you to be able to put together your own trip.

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