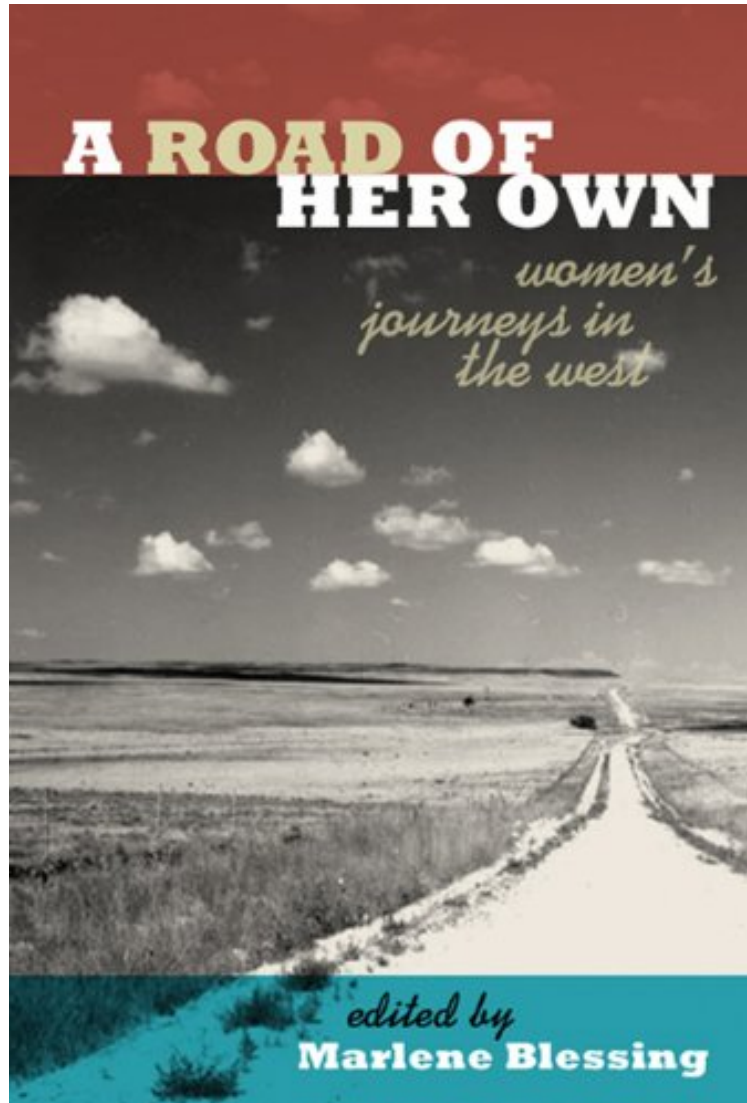


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Women's true stories of discovery, loss, adventure, and more--all played out in the vast reaches of the American West.

From Library Journal This collection of 20 travel essays describing the adventures of women in the western United States include such varied experiences as Susan Ewing's 300-mile dogsled trip in the Yukon, Susan Tweit's solo hike in northwest Wyoming, and Blessing's road trip from Seattle to Montana. All relate the author's state of mind and often illustrate a period of transition. For example, Tweit tries to come to terms with a serious illness, while Blessing is grieving the death of her spouse. Other essays include a solo trip from Arizona to Alaska, a family trip to Phoenix, and camping alone in Texas. Editor Blessing, a published poet and essayist as well as the editor in chief at Fulcrum, has collected well-written and generally intriguing essays that will attract those who already read travel essays. Buy for larger public libraries. Alison Hopkins, Brantford P.L., Ont. Copyright 2002 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Booklist The first essay in this anthology describes the long anticipated "girls' road trip" of two sisters in their late seventies. Asked why their journey was deferred for so many years, they explain, "Well, there was always someone else who insisted on riding along . . . kids, husbands, or you name it. We just never were free." Blessing's collection is a celebration of the freedom that has allowed succeeding generations of women to explore the West--on foot, by car, in pairs, or alone--and she has assembled a spirited and diverse circle of writers for that purpose. Susan Ewing writes with engaging spirit and candor of her foray into dog sledding in the Yukon, and Susan Zwinger's encounter with "The Last Cowwoman of the Escalante" is related with zest. Other journeys are spiritual, notably Linda Hogan's quietly joyful depiction of a sweat-lodge ceremony she shared with her daughters. The best of these essays, like Hogan's, transcend geography, but all of them leave the reader with a sense of the space and possibility of the American West. Meredith Parets Copyright American Library Association. All rights reserved ... readers will be glad these modern girls got themselves out of the house and onto the road.. -- Seattle Times...a marvelous feast of a book seasoned with wit and understanding. -- Ann Zwinger, author of Beyond the Aspen Grove and Run, River, Run...the women who recount their Western sojourns here are all on the road to self-discovery. -- Boston Herald