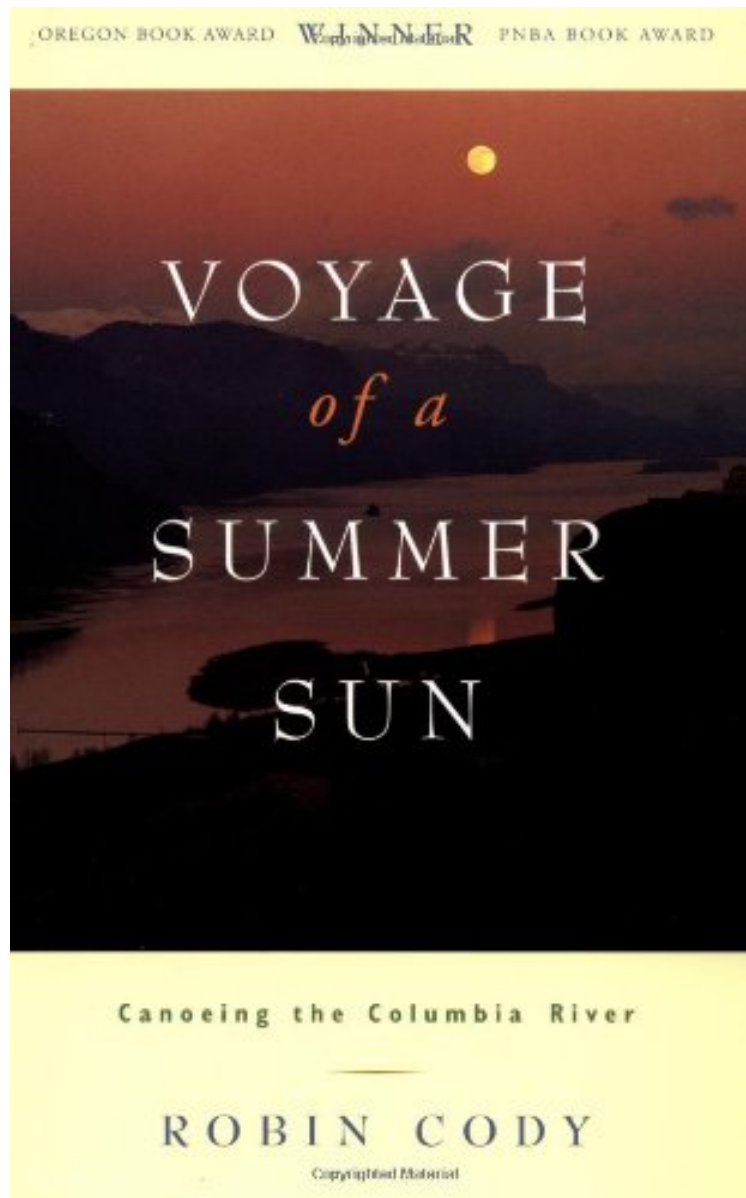


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.com The beautiful Columbia River can be wild and unpredictable, which means it's perfect for an epic North American canoe adventure. From Columbia Lake (its source in the Canadian Rockies) all 1,200 miles to the Pacific Ocean, Robin Cody finally takes the 82-day trip that started with an idle but persistent thought: "a guy could probably canoe it." And Cody has all that's required (love of river, canoeing know-how, writing ease, and self-effacing humor) to take the trip and tell the tale. From Publishers Weekly On June 17, 1991, Cody launched his 16-foot, 47-pound Kevlar canoe on Columbia Lake, high in the Canadian Rockies. Eighty-two days later, he beached the canoe at Astoria, Ore., completing his voyage on the Columbia River. Cody (Ricochet River) gives a sparkling account of his adventure, interweaving historical detail and natural history with childhood memories of the river. Despite its 14 dams, the Columbia has formidable rapids; its huge reservoirs, buffeted by strong winds, present a hazard to small craft. Day 39 found Cody at Grand Coulee Dam, his halfway point. There he visited an elderly couple who had observed the construction of the dam. As he passed the Hanford Nuclear Reservation, he was startled to see abundant wildlife on the nation's most hazardous nuclear waste dump. Cody notes that in two generations, the Columbia has been shackled and turned to human use; his journey was, in part, to observe both the natural and man-made systems. Readers interested in nature will find this irresistible. Illustrations. Author tour. Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Library Journal Like Ben Bachman's *Upstream: A Voyage on the Connecticut River* (LJ 2/1/85), this is a well-written account of the land, culture, geology, and history of a river. Cody's three months of paddling streams and reservoirs, portaging huge dams and dodging rapids began as a search for "connectedness? what the river is to what it was." His water-level perspective, though, forced concentration on the present. He describes rather than concludes and does not preach, but he believes that the various changes humans have made to the river have also changed a large part of the world around it. Animals, people, fish, and history mingle with Cody's own background in this pleasurable, personal account from a journalist/author native to the river he affectionately portrays. Recommended for public libraries, especially throughout the Pacific Northwest. ?Roland Person, Southern Illinois Univ. Lib., Carbondale Copyright 1995 Reed Business Information, Inc.