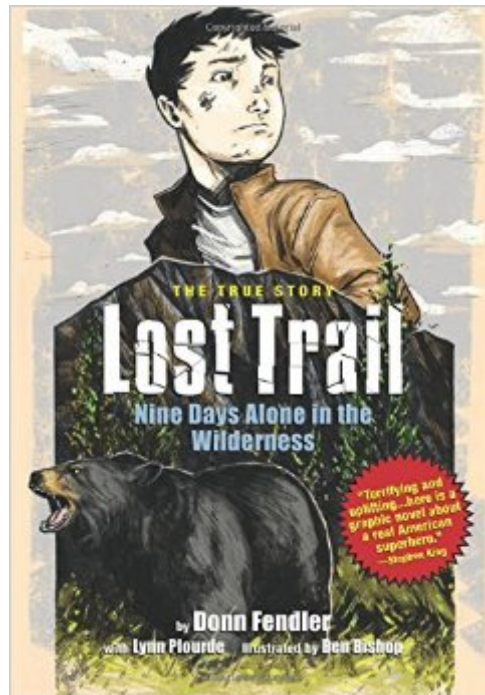


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Lost Trail: Nine Days Alone In The Wilderness



Synopsis

Donn Fendler's harrowing story of being lost in the Maine wilderness when he was just twelve, was made famous by the perennial best-seller, *Lost on a Mountain in Maine*. In *Lost Trail*, more than 70 years after the event, Donn tells the story of survival and rescue from his own perspective. *Lost Trail* is a masterfully illustrated graphic novel that tells the story of a twelve year old boy scout from a New York City suburb who climbs Maine's mile-high Mt. Katahdin and in a sudden storm is separated from his friends and family. What follows is a nine-day adventure, in which Donn, lost and alone in the Maine wilderness with bugs, bears, and only a few berries to eat, struggles for survival.

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Customer Reviews

I remember reading the original book as a child in New Hampshire. I was very into survival literature along the lines of Â Hatchet: 20th Anniversary Edition, The Call of the Wild (Puffin Classics) Â etc. Reading this book brought that moment back to life for me. This is a classic Maine story retold in cinematic fashion. Whether you're getting this for a first-time reader or you're revisiting the story for the first time in a while, this is a beautiful rendition of a great story.

My daughter read "Lost on a Mountain in Maine" for 4th grade, but my 9 year old son had little interest in picking up the book - no aliens, guns, or rude jokes. I bought a copy of "Lost Trail" last weekend so that _I_ could read it - the cover is really appealing, and I already knew that the story

was compelling. I started reading it to my son while we were sitting in a coffee shop, waiting for his best friend. After about 5 minutes, he commented, "Wow - this story moves really fast!" He also LOVED the illustrations. I put it in his backpack Monday morning (yesterday), figuring maybe he'd read a bit more during silent reading time. After he got home, I noticed that the bookmark was back at page 1. So I asked him if the bookmark had fallen out. Nope. He read it during silent reading time...and during aftercare...and in the car on the way home. Finished it before supertime. Took it to school again today so he can start re-reading it. As a side note, my daughter (now 15) and I had a chance to see Donn Fendler speak at the Portland Public Library a few years ago. It was a fabulous experience. He is a really engaging speaker, and loves to meet his readers in person. He even showed a short home movie that included the moment that he and his mother saw each other for the first time since his disappearance. Wow. He stayed after the talk to chat with any and all of the kids who wanted to meet him in person, autographing books and posing for photos. If you ever get a chance to meet Mr. Fendler in person, don't pass it up!

Very happy with product and purchase. very prompt delivery and perfect shape for a gift. Recommend this book for everyone interested in Mt Katadin and Maine and of course a suspense story.

An interesting account for younger readers. I have a rustic cabin that rents, so it's nice to have things that might work for younger readers on a rainy day. Kids seem to respond to the tale. Older readers marvel, as I do, that he survived at all considering the temperatures and the odds against him. I had an earlier version of the story that got worn out. This version is decently modernized but is true to the original.

Bought this book for my husband for Christmas this year. He loves reading the comics in the newspaper, so I knew he'd like this book. Like the author, he too grew up in NY, was active in the Boy Scouts and has climbed Mt. Katahdin in ME many times. The book was a hit!

This is a beautiful book. The story is inspiring. The art is smooth and filled with life. It's hypnotizing. I also love Ben Bishop's other books as well. He did one called Nathan The Cave Man. I'm frustrated that I can't find this book on .Get Lost Trail. Donn's story is wild. The fact that he survived being lost for that long is amazing.

Can't wait to get this book to read to my kids. I am a native Mainer now living a few towns over from the author's in Westchester County, NY. Very funny to me that the book description mentions the perils of bugs before bears. Mosquito = Maine State Bird!

I purchased this at the request of my 5-year-old even though it is intended for older children. We read it together and were riveted to every page. I kept saying, "We are stopping at the end of this chapter," soon to be followed by, "Well, let's read just a few more pages." In addition to being a riveting story, it was also somewhat educational. We discussed what Donn did wrong (did not stay with his friend, did not stay on the trail) and what he did right (followed the river). Although the story could be rather frightening for some children, it did have a happy ending. Altogether it was an absorbing memoir, one I have recommended to several people, ages 5 to 85.

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