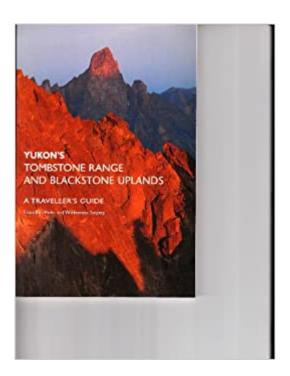


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Yukon's Tombstone Range And Blackstone Uplands : A Traveller's Guide





Synopsis

Welcome to the wonderful world of Tombstone Range, located in Canada's Yukon. Intended for both hikers and highway travellers, this guidebook celebrates the unique natural history and cultural importance of this striking landscape - a place of sheer rugged mountains and wide-open sweeps of sub-arctic tundra. The guidebook is richly illustrated with 16 colour plates, hand-drawn illustrations of flora, fauna and fossils, and dozens of black and white photographs. Three colour maps show backcountry routes as well as points of interest along the Dempster Highway.

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The "Yukon's Tombstone Range and Blackstone Uplands: A Traveler's Guide" is a well-considered product of the Canadian Parks and Wildnerness Society, published in 2000 and apparently now out of print. The guide describes Tombstone Territorial Park, located in the Yukon Territory of Canada, north of the old Gold Rush town of Dawson City and accessible via the dirt and gravel Dempster Highway. Tombstone Territorial Park is sub-Arctic wilderness, featuring the rugged stony peaks of the Tombstone Range and the flatter tundra-covered Blackstone plateau. It has next to no human infrastructure. It offers spectacular hiking, trekking, camping and wildlife viewing opportunities, but

only for the wise and prepared traveler. The guide is divided into sections, with a lengthy but fascinating natural history of the region, followed by a cultural guide to the First Nation tribes native to the area, and to the rugged Europeans who followed the Gold Rush. A traveler's guide section offers an honest appraisal of the significant but not insurmountable natural hazards, along with a "leave no trace" ethic for wilderness travel. The balance of the book contains descriptions of a variety of day hikes off the Dempster Highway, along with some suggested backcountry routes for the truly adventurous and self-sufficient. The guide includes a nice selection of black and white and color photographs, and a few maps. Travelers should expect to use map and compass out of sight of the Dempster Highway. "Yukon's Tombstone Range And Blackstone Uplands: A Traveler's Guide" is very highly recommended, even in used condition, to those contemplating travel in a remote and rugged part of Canada.

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