Record Nr. UNINA9910819803003321 Autore Hall Dave <1968-> Titolo Winter in the wilderness: a field guide to primitive survival skills // Dave Hall with Jon Ulrich; illustrations by Dave Hall Pubbl/distr/stampa Ithaca, New York;; London, [England]:,: Comstock Publishing Associates, a division of Cornell University Press, , 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 1-5017-0115-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (206 p.) 613.6/9 Disciplina Soggetti Wilderness survival Snow camping Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Contents -- Acknowledgments -- Introduction -- 1. Priorities -- 2. Fire -- 3. Shelter -- 4. Water -- 5. Sustenance -- 6. Helpful Crafts and Skills -- 7. Navigation and Orienteering --Conclusion -- Appendix A: Motor Vehicle Considerations -- Appendix B: Survival Kits -- Appendix C: Winter Gear Checklist -- Appendix D: Suggested Reading -- Notes -- Bibliography -- Index Sommario/riassunto Camping or backpacking in winter is appealing for many who enjoy the serenity of wilderness settings without the crowds and bustle of the summer season. But as rewarding as they can be, these outings require special preparation and a different set of skills than are necessary at other times of the year. Snowfall can quickly cover one's tracks and make orientation difficult. Hypothermia is insidious, and rapidly

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the renowned nature awareness program Primitive Pursuits, Dave Hall has been practicing survival skills for more than twenty years and has amassed a comprehensive understanding of winter survival. By refining these skills, Dave has reached a point of understanding that is without peer. Through detailed explanations, illustrations, and personal anecdotes, Winter in the Wilderness imparts Dave's knowledge to readers, who will learn to meet their most basic needs: making fire, creating shelter, obtaining safe drinking water, navigating terrain, and procuring sustenance. Winter in the Wilderness is a handbook for those who want to explore cold-weather camping and those who might find themselves in need of this critical information during an unexpected winter's night out. Whether used for pleasure or for survival, Winter in the Wilderness emphasizes the benefits of enriching and deepening our connection with the outdoors.