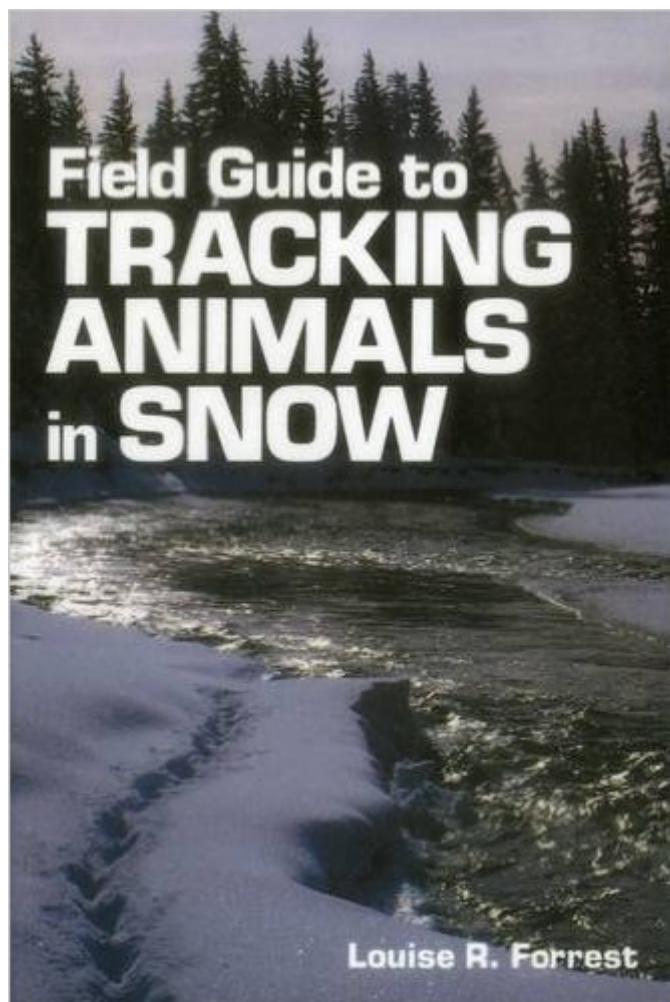


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Synopsis

Focuses on the animal's track pattern, making windblown and obscured tracks identifiable.

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I was extremely disappointed in this book given the amazing potential for information on snow tracking. I'll start with the good stuff: 1) A good key on the inside cover. That's about it... The bad stuff: What I would have liked to see and what was not in this book to my liking: 1) Natural history of animals in winter as opposed to other seasons. There is some information, but still not enough to aid the tracker. 2) An analysis of drag marks in the snow. 3) Actual pictures of prints, which although there are 10 questions or so in the back of the book with real prints, they are so badly taken and poorly described with no close-ups that there's no real way to be sure about the print from the picture. 4) Which animals use non-characteristic gaits in the snow and why. 5) Pictures of tracks aged in the snow and how the shape of the track changes in the snow. There is almost nothing on this book talking about characteristic aging of track shapes in the snow - like how to tell direction of travel in deer on week old snowed in tracks (no book mentions this, but this is what I would expect to see in a winter tracking book). 6) Angles of entry and exit into the snow and characteristic morphology of tracks in the snow. 7) More than the 1 or 2 gaits presented for each animal, better measurements, etc. 8) Behavior studies! Snow tracking gives us an amazing opportunity to study the track by track behavior of an animal. I couldn't believe that the book didn't explore this dimension of tracking. 9) Much more information on birds could have been done. And some of the tracks DO NOT

at all look like tracks of the birds I've seen.

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