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# Whitewater Home Companion: Southeastern Rivers Volume 1



## Synopsis

For years William Nealy has been delighting whitewater paddlers with his informative and hilarious cartoon maps of popular canoeing and kayaking streams. Practically collectors' items, these maps are sought by paddlers all over the United States for their accuracy, relevance, and wild insider's perspective on those strange creatures who inhabit the exotic sport of whitewater paddling. Now, for the first time, Nealy has coupled his most celebrated Southeastern U.S. river maps with an anthology of cartoons, paddling homilies, and unsolicited advice. The result is a crazed but incredible book titled *Whitewater Home Companion, Southeastern Rivers, Volume I*. Through his distinctive drawing and wholly peculiar river-submarine terminology, Nealy successfully reveals rivers and boaters alike as never before. Contained within the covers of this book is a wealth of information and humor good for many hours of pleasure both on and off the river.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

If you are planning to kayak (or even raft) any of the Southeastern Rivers, you will want to have this hilarious handwritten Nealy guide. (For those not familiar with Nealy, this book is not meant to be a technical river guide). Although some of the rapids he highlights have been significantly altered by mother nature over the last 20 years, the reader still gets a humorous look at the "hydro-namics" of the various rapids on the rivers he describes. In addition to his commentary on the rapids of each river, Nealy also includes his trademark comical sketches which have helped make his books so popular. Like his other classic kayaking books, this is a comic book river guide for the Southeast Rivers. (Rivers included are the Cheat, Chatahoochee, Chatooga, French Broad, Gauley, Haw,

Hiawasee, Locust Fork, Nantahala, New River Gorge, Nolichucky, Savage and Youghiogheny.) Paddlers will appreciate the descriptions of the rivers, some b/w photos and the comical sketches of the major rapids of each river. In addition he also includes a funny glossary section of river and paddling terminology with his highly opinionated sociocultural paddling commentary offered throughout. As paddlesports are becoming increasingly popular and thus "more commercially marketable" in the US, Nealy's books and commentary are becoming even more funny, more meaningful and somewhat prophetic.

I own a copy and have loved it ever since I picked it up. I bought this copy as a gift for a friend and co-worker. The maps are useful and the writing is great. I've run many of these rivers, and reading through the pages brings back memories of the great times.

I learned and I laughed my way through this book. It is a classic and I would highly recommend to anyone getting started in WW kayaking.

Great way to learn about SE rivers, Nealy books never get old even when the jokes are as old as I am.

Great book. Funny with lots of good information.

Love William Nealy! Book was in great shape.

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