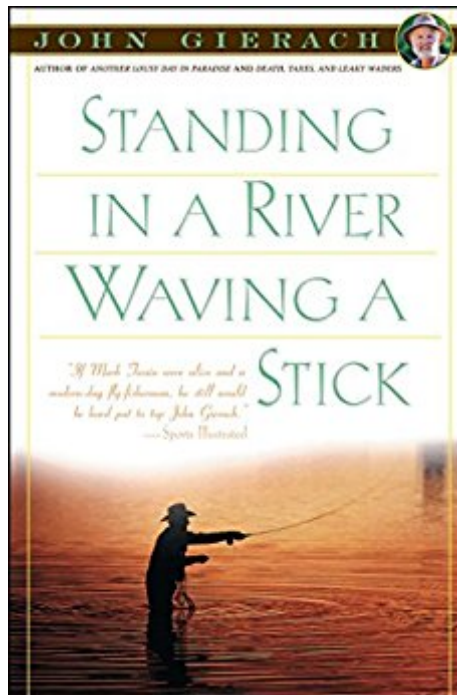




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Standing In A River Waving A Stick (John Gierach's Fly-fishing Library)



Synopsis

Brilliant, witty, perceptive essays about fly-fishing, the natural world, and life in general by the acknowledged master of fishing writers. With his inimitable combination of wit and wisdom, John Gierach once again celebrates the fly-fishing life in *Standing in a River Waving a Stick* and notes its benefits as a sport, philosophical pursuit, even therapy: "The solution to any problem—work, love, money, whatever—is to go fishing, and the worse the problem, the longer the trip should be." After all, fly-fishing does teach important life lessons, says Gierach—about solitude, patience, perspective, humor, and the sublime coffee break. Recounting both memorable fishing spots and memorable fish, Gierach discusses what makes a good fly pattern, the ethics of writing about undiscovered trout waters, the dread of getting skunked, and the camaraderie of fellow fishermen who can end almost any conversation with "Well, it's sort of like fishing, isn't it?" Reflecting on a lifetime of lessons learned at the end of a fly rod, Gierach concludes, "The one inscription you don't want carved on your tombstone is 'The Poor Son of a Bitch Didn't Fish Enough.'" Fortunately for Gierach fans, this is not likely to happen.

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Customer Reviews

This can be both good and bad. As someone who has struggled with the desire to spend time on rivers more than life's responsibilities allow, it can cause some personal struggles. On the other hand, it's just what the doctor would order to create a better balanced life. I know I'll never satiate my desire to be on a trout stream - at least for as long as I am working on a full time basis, have family demands and community commitments . It is inspiring to read about someone who lives life simply enough to make spending time on the river (lake or pond) a priority, not knowing for sure why.

JOHN you thieving bass turf, you plagiarized all my dreams so now I can just curl up with nothing to look forward to since you depicted all the beauty, mystery, challenges, excitement and sublime imagery for me. My only salvation is that you'll still be out there living the dream with that willow branch in your hand and feeding some fish for the rest of us. "Gone Fishing ... Again". Rock on John!

Bought this for my boyfriend who is an avid fisherman he LOVES this book. He is constantly reading me excerpts and they are really interesting and often make me laugh. He intends to buy many many more of John Gierach's books! He without hesitation gave this 5 stars and as a big reader I trusted his judgement :) Enjoy!

As with Gierach's other books, I found "Standing In a River Waving a Stick to be entertaining as well as enlightening. He seems to have a way to write about fly fishing and life in a special way. If you love fly fishing or have never tried it, I think you will enjoy this book as well as his other books!

To be honest, I'm a fan. This is the second time reading this book. Not only that I pick up more of the details, but also getting more of the humor. Things better than reading the author's book are good s@x and fishing.

I took this book on vacation with me and started to read it on the plane. By the time we landed I couldn't put it down. I'm glad I brought other books because I finished this one in no time. I would highly recommend this book and all of John Gierach's books.

The title says it all as far as I am concerned as it is 'anthropomorphized' into the bubble above the

heads of two coyotes, apparently watching someone stand in a river while waving a stick.

Book came in excellent condition, just as advertised.

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