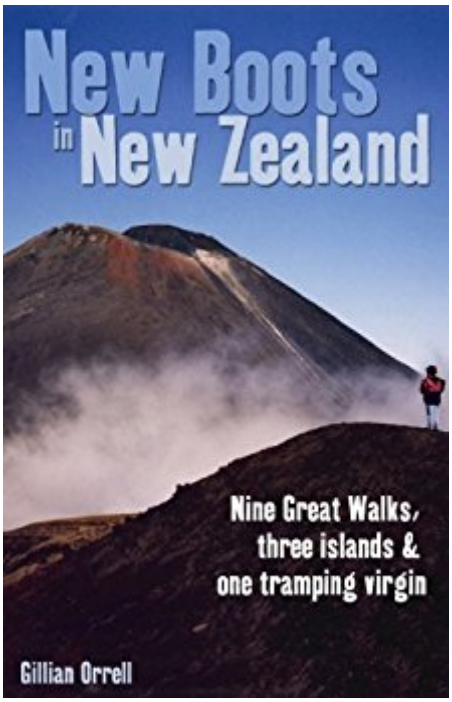
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Synopsis

An extended stay in New Zealand determined the content of Gillian OrrellÃ¢â ¬â„¢s first book. New Boots in New Zealand is a humorous, first-hand account of walking the nine Great Walks of New Zealand, encompassing many additional facts, anecdotes and insights about New ZealandÃ¢â ¬â„¢s culture, history and peoples. Deciding to go solo, Gillian accomplished all nine walks in the space of a few months, not only learning all she needed to know about tramping but also a huge amount about New Zealand. This superbly written and hugely enjoyable book is the result of her efforts. It describes what tramping in New Zealand is really like, offering handy tips and wry observations that you wonÃ¢â ¬â„¢t find anywhere else.New Boots in New Zealand is aimed at both first-time and experienced trampers, anyone who intends to go on any of the Great Walks, as well as armchair travellers of all ages.* A new approach to New Zealand tramping books.* Original and amusing, but also packed with useful information. * Covers all nine Great Walks: Milford, Routeburn, Abel Tasman, Kepler, Heaphy, Whanganui River, Lake Waikaremoana, Tongariro and Rakiura.* Includes photographs and maps.Gillian Orrell was educated at Oxford University, before working for nine years as a Chartered Accountant and Management Consultant in London. She then took sabbatical leave to pursue writing as a career. In her spare time, Gillian plays the piano and also writes Ã¢â ¬â œ and occasionally performs Ã¢â ¬â œ comic songs. She lives in Hexham in the north of England, close to some of BritainÃ¢â ¬â„¢s greatest walks.

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Customer Reviews

I have been to New Zealand once and am so planning to go back! This book is so informative, very well written and makes me want to try at least on of the Great Walks. I'd go this very moment if I had the money. I'm running out of time, but it's never too late. A great read!

For anyone contemplating the 9 great walks in NZ, this is a useful introduction and guide for an independent walker.

Nice book. Language was very descriptive. Wish it had pictures though. Though again not having pictures was the point. Explore.

This book was informative as well as entertaining. I learned a lot about New Zealand and I am from New Zealand! Really made me want to go tramping.

I tramped all of NZ's nine great walks and Gillian's book was our "go-to" guide. She never fails to entertain and we always ended up knowing more about the walks than those boring -- sold at the pie shop books everyone lugs. Plus, dear readers, she entertains!Also, we completed all nine great walks with my husband and two boys (before the youngest reached 9) and have also just finished sailing around the world.I'm preparing to gift "New Boots in New Zealand" to my best friends because it is some of the best, inspirational travel writing.

I've hiked a few of the Great Hikes and when I found this book I was very excited. Sad to say, this book reveals more about the pretentious, condescending, obsessed with minutiae author than interesting facts about New Zealand. Her poor, high-school level prose is rivaled only by her abilities to overgeneralize and self-aggrandize. That may sound harsh, but reading this book is like watching "The Office"--and if you think Ricky Gervais was awkward, then this book will be a real treat. I can't recommend this to anyone unless they happen to love both tramping and whiny, awkward Brits.

A wonderful read for any trekking enthusiast, someone interested in New Zealand or observers of "human nature." Ms. Orrell’s charming command of language combined with her marvelous powers of observation and sense of adventure makes for a compelling, unique travelogue. Well worth the several week wait.

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