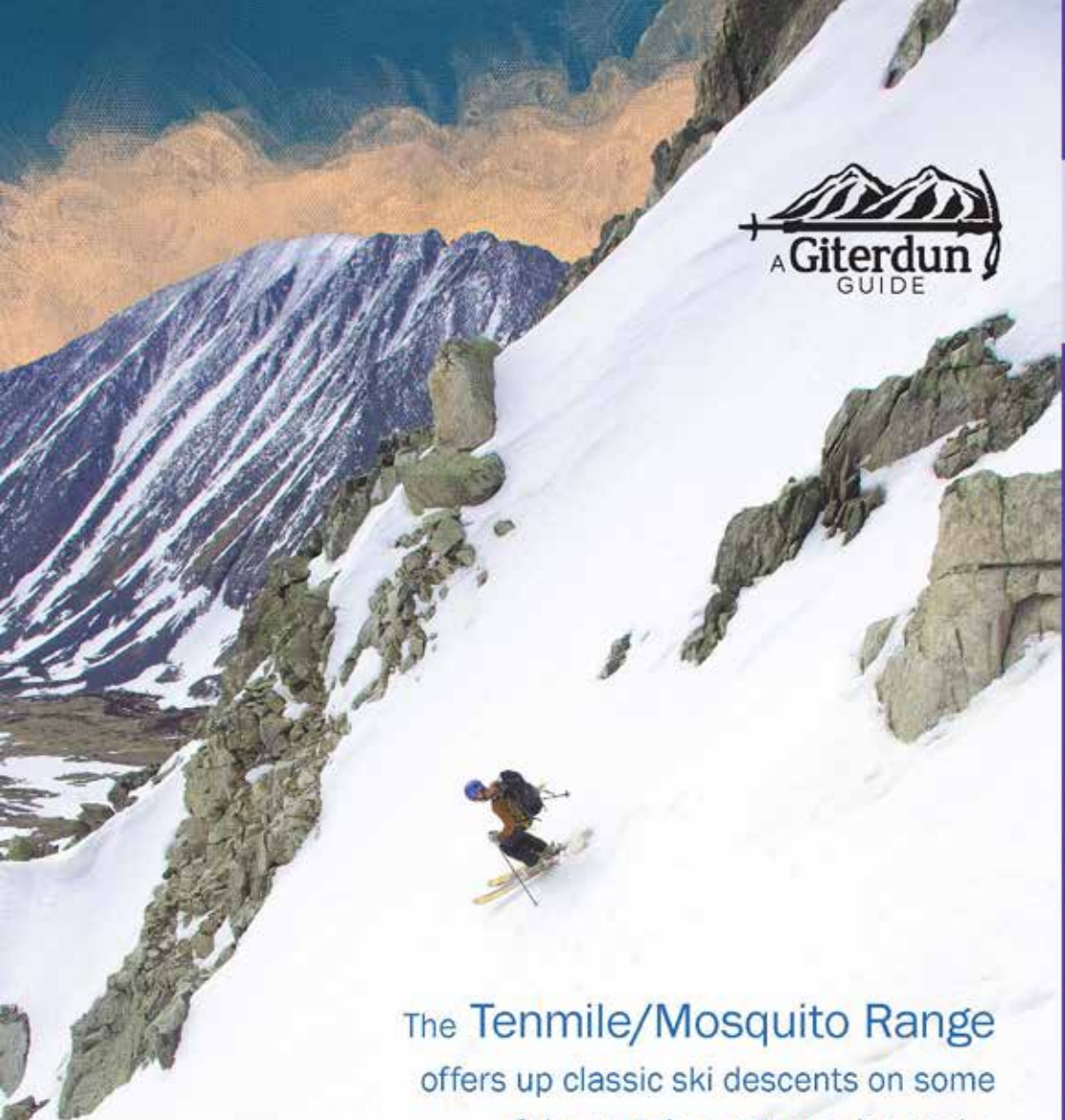
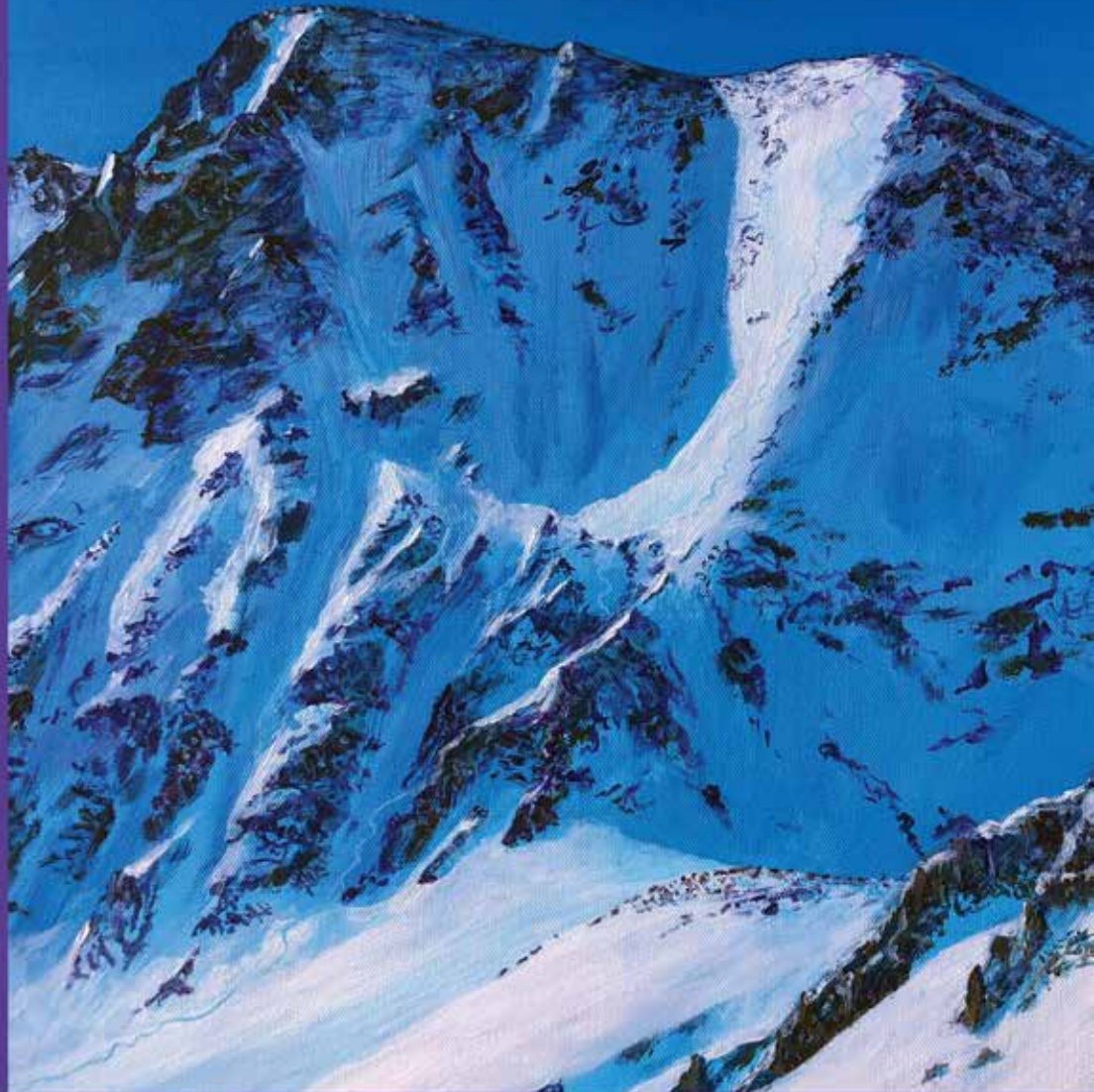


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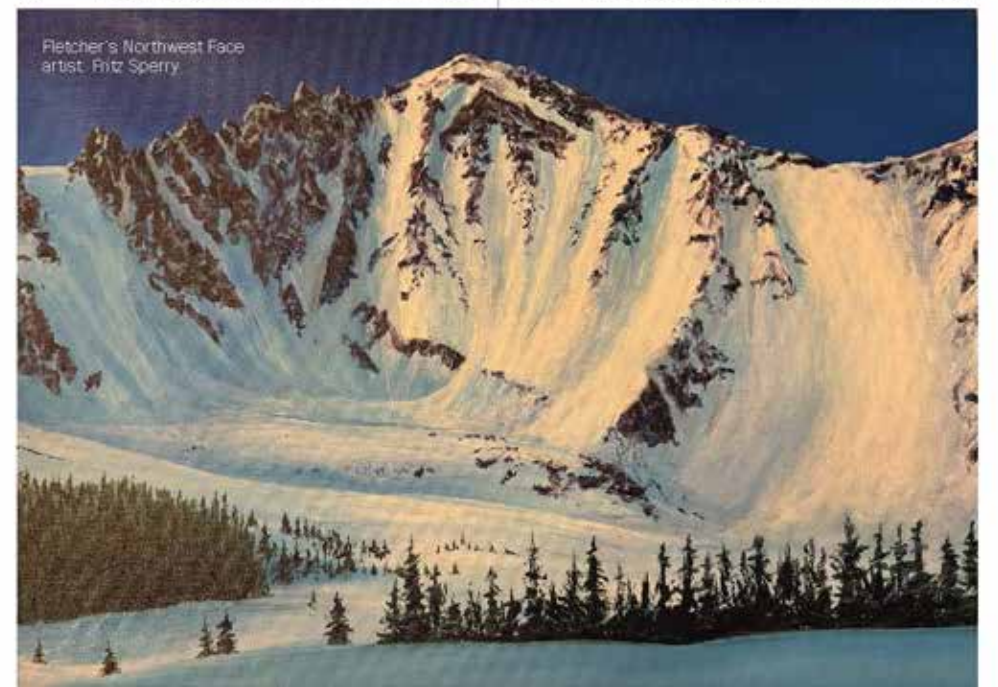
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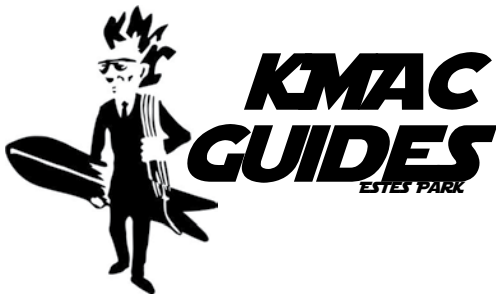
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SEASON: WINTER

EASY	ATES	INTERMEDIATE—ADVANCED	ATES
17Ec Berthoud Pass/Seven Mile Trail	1	2a Mount Trelease/The Boulevard	1
		3b Mount Bethel/North Saddle Gully	3
INTERMEDIATE	ATES	14b Butler Gulch/Hourglass Gully	3
2c Mount Trelease/North Gullies & Trees	2	37a Eldora Backcountry/Lost Lake Bowl	1-3
7b Mt. Machebeuf/Watrous Gulch Glades	1		
14a Butler Gulch/Halfpipe Gully	1	INTERMEDIATE TO EXPERT	ATES
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1c - Mount Royal	Dirty Books	
DIFFICULTY: Advanced/ATES 3	DISTANCE: 5.7 Miles Roundtrip	VERTICAL: 3,000'
SUNHIT: Sunrise + 3	ASPECT: Northwest	SEASON: Spring
TRAILHEAD: Mount Royal	MAP: Page 307	PHOTO: Page 174-176

As with the previous route, make your way to the summit of Royal Mtn. via the Royal Mtn. Trail. Take the cut-off out of the 2nd Avenue parking lot and meet up with the actual Royal Mtn. Trail. There is a really good view of Dirty Books at the T intersection of the cut-off and the main trail. As with Hummingbird, I like to ski this line from the top after hiking or skinning around. The trees at the top are awesome. There's a bit of dead fall to play on when the snow pack is deep, and I generally like to minimize my time in harm's way. By skinning around you spend only the time you ski the route in the "danger zone". While climbing the route from the bottom up, you end up spending more than an hour, plus your skiing time, at risk from slides, rockfall and other calamities.

Take the right fork after about 3/4 of a mile and work your way to the ridge. Follow this ridge to the actual summit and change over here. Again using the fall-line as your guide, leave the summit following the direction of the arrow in the previous route description. Playing the fall-line as 12 o'clock, try and follow a line of 10 o'clock. Keep this line for about 300' vert. At this point begin looking for the couloir's left wall. Let the line suck you in. It's very important not to fall in this couloir. Near the bottom of the actual couloir the line splits. The actual direct line ends in 20-40' foot cliffs. A tumble would be painful. At the last section of rock there is a spine. Taking the skier's right avoids the cliffed out section. The steepest section of this route is about 50°. The average steepness is around 46°. Remember that due to this route's lower elevation and aspect the lower apron of this line can heat up very early. Watch for roller balls and wet slides as well as rock fall from the cliffs around you.

Should you choose the cliff option, remember that the skier's right is a small drop and the skier's left is larger. Once past these zones enjoy a nice open area before the small aspens choke things off. The trees between Dirty Books and Hummingbird offer the easiest out. Pass over the trail for more turns before meeting back up with the cutoff and making your way back to the parking lot. Remember to start early for this .



15 PACIFIC PEAK – 13,950'

The 61st highest mountain in Colorado, and the second highest 13er in this book, offers up some great routes for the ski-mountaineer. Access to this peak is year-round however, the steep nature of the lines makes for safe skiing in the Spring and Summer. This mountain holds one of the classics of the range, though timing can be an issue. Due to great loading patterns, the lines on this mountain hold snow later than most other areas in the Tenmile Range. One great thing about the ski routes on this peak is that generally once you get beyond the Mohawk Lakes you tend to not see many people. Most visitors to this area seem to be clustered around the lakes or the higher peaks to the south.

14a – Pacific Peak	North Couloir	
DIFFICULTY: Advanced ATEs 3	DISTANCE: 10.5 Miles Roundtrip	VERTICAL: 4,000'
SUNHIT: Sunrise	ASPECT: Northeast	SEASON: Spring
TRAILHEAD: Miners Creek	MAP: Page 307	PHOTO: Page 196-197

This route is a real pain. In fact, I haven't skied it completely. I wanted to, and I've skied every other route in this book. Considering just how classic this route is, I decided to include it anyway. I've attempted it three times, and managed to ski three quarters of it after turning around due to ice. Timing is the main issue for not getting it done. The upper portion is deeply inset and protected from sunhit for most of the day. This can make finding good snow conditions in the super steep, upper section very difficult to time with avy safe snow conditions in the lower, less inset zones that begin heating up at sunrise. If you try and get into it too early the upper section won't be consolidated. Too late, and yearly rock fall will turn the upper section into a rock strewn mess. Another issue with waiting too long is that the upper section can turn to ice.

From the Spruce Creek Trailhead, skin up the road to its end at the water tunnel. Enter the woods and skin up the Mohawk Lakes Trail. Pass Mayflower Lake and pick a nice line up the steep slopes above. Once at the first bench, you will pass Lower Mohawk Lake. There's an easy slope on the west side of the lake. Skin this slope up to the bench. Keep heading back into the valley. At the southwest end of the valley is Pacific Peak. The entrance to the couloir is pictured on the following pages. I'd advise you to climb the route before you ski it. This way you can assess the conditions of the upper section and see what the snow is like first hand. Coming in from the top makes it very difficult to ascertain the exact nature of the snow conditions, (not exactly what you want on 50°+ slopes with rockwalls to punish any mistakes.) This route has a left turning dogleg and a distinctive thumb-like pinnacle. Though the route is called the North Couloir, only the upper section faces north. Below the upper section's dogleg the couloir feeds into an east facing gully. Then the fall line pulls you down and to the right. Just after the dogleg you will be in the sun and you should expect a dramatic change in snow conditions. Be sure that you are in this zone early enough in the day to avoid wet slides.

