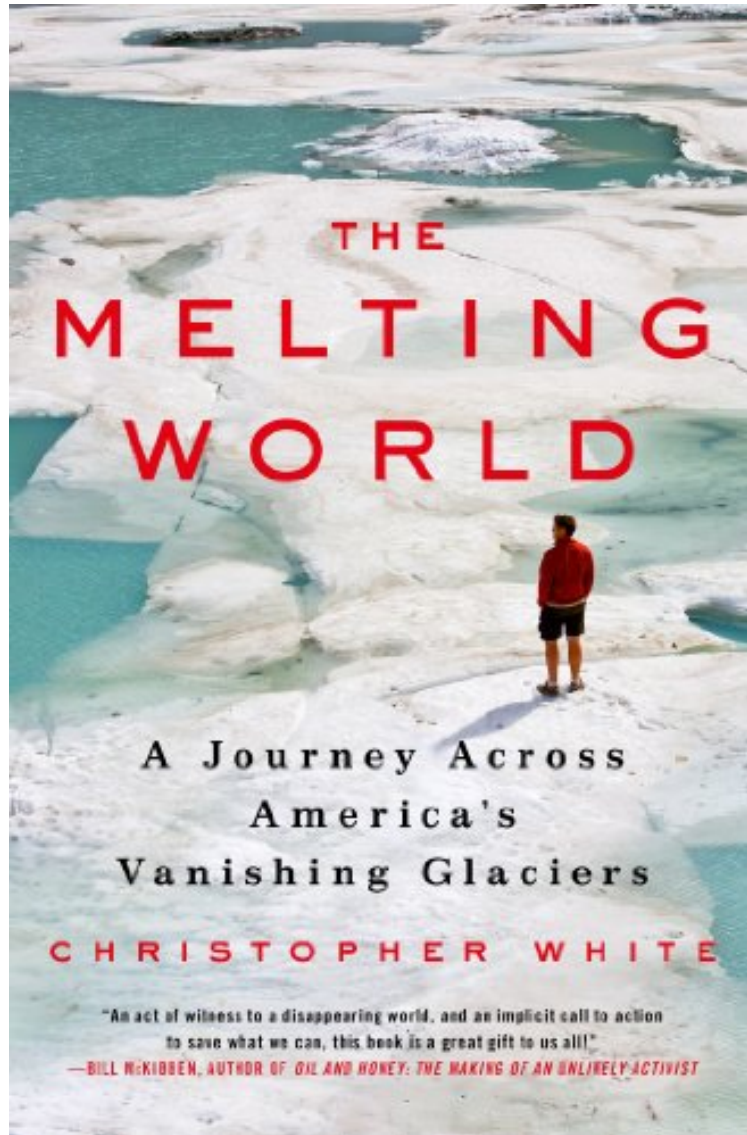


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Christopher White : The Melting World: A Journey Across Americas Vanishing Glaciers before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Melting World: A Journey Across Americas Vanishing Glaciers:

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inhabitants. He successfully describes the entire impact of what we can expect when glaciers are gone. He poetically captures their incredible beauty and all the esoteric benefits they provide. A well written book I thoroughly enjoyed - although "enjoy" is the wrong word as I will truly miss the glaciers when they are gone. I believe we all will. A book that is very timely and needs to be read. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. If you love or have an interest in Glacier National Park
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Global warming usually seems to happen far away, but one catastrophic effect of climate change is underway right now in the Rocky Mountains. In *The Melting World*, Chris White travels to Montana to chronicle the work of Dan Fagre, a climate scientist and ecologist, whose work shows that alpine glaciers are vanishing rapidly close to home. For years, Fagre has monitored the ice sheets in Glacier National Park proving that they and by extension all Rocky Mountain ice will melt far faster than previously imagined. How long will the ice fields survive? What are the consequences on our environment? *The Melting World* chronicles the first extinction of a mountain ecosystem in what is expected to be a series of such global calamities as humanity faces the prospect of a world without alpine ice.

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Whenever global warming and rising sea levels are mentioned in the same breath, the presumed source of the extra water is usually the polar ice caps. Yet according to nature writer and frequent National Geographic contributor White, melting mountaintop snow and ice will have just as much of an impact on environmental decline as shrinking coastlines. In the late summer of 2008, White joined a team of government-funded ecologists, led by veteran earth scientist Dan Fagre, to chart the rapid disappearance of alpine ice in Montana's Glacier National Park. Here White eloquently describes the scores of breathtaking views he enjoyed during his five seasons with Fagre, even as the team grappled with many disturbing findings. He also makes it soberly clear just how fully fresh water reserves, fish habitats, and healthy forests depend on melting glacier runoff. White's account is both an urgent wake-up call to nations across the globe that share responsibility for climate change and a heartbreaking elegy to a vital component of Earth's ecology that may soon be gone forever. --Carl Hays
An act of witness to a disappearing world, and an implicit call to action to save what we can, this book is a great gift to us all! Bill McKibben, author *Oil and Honey: The Making of an Unlikely Activist*
The Melting World is both a hymn of praise and a requiem for the passing beauty of alpine snowfields. In the tradition of John McPhee and Norman Maclean, Christopher White chronicles the men and women racing against climate change to understand the mysteries of the frozen world, even as it inexorably disappears from view. Rich in vivid detail and lovely prose, White's gorgeous and heartbreaking book will appeal to adventurers and scientists and anyone else who cares for our beloved planet. McKay Jenkins, author of *The White Death: Tragedy and Heroism in an Avalanche Zone*
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