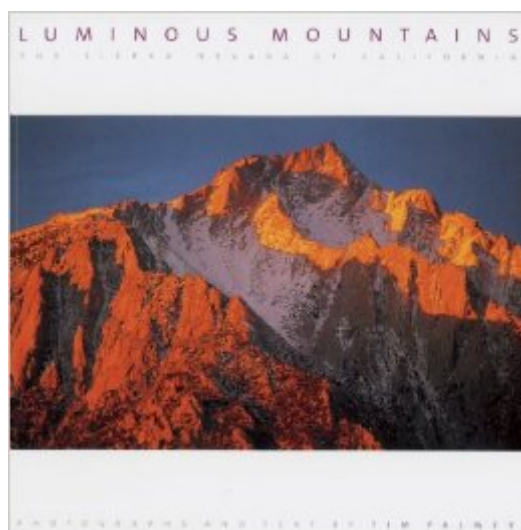


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# Luminous Mountains: The Sierra Nevada Of California



## Synopsis

Born of an intimate relationship with nature, *Luminous Mountains* is a spirited journey of discovery up the high peaks and down the wild rivers of the great Sierra Nevada. With 137 stunning photographs and the engaging text of a seasoned storyteller, Tim Palmer guides us through the stormy white depths of winter and into ancient green forests suffused with life. In all months of the year he shows us unmatched images of wonder; from icons of scenery such as Yosemite's El Capitan, Lake Tahoe, and Mount Whitney, to remote and secret enclaves amid the peaks and the canyons.

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This book is the product of two passions: Tim Palmer the hiker and environmentalist palpably loves the Sierras while Tim Palmer the artist is drawn to the effects of light on this sacred place. The text makes clear a lifelong curiosity about and education in the many intersecting elements of these mountains. The pictures make clear a sympathy of eye and heart. Award winning author and photographer, Tim has for nearly forty years been hiking in and caring for the Sierra Nevada range, during which time he has bounded this "twenty-million acre expanse," North, South, East and West in seasonal pictures to create a magnificent photographic rendering of one of our most spectacular terrains. This remarkable book leads us into the Sierras as he felt them first-hand in 1968: "I had the distinct feeling of going not so much higher but rather deeper into the folds of warping rock, deeper into the forests of lodgepole pine, deeper into the glacial enclaves once buried in ice but now drowned in pure luminous light so rich it seemed drinkable in yellow and gold." We are taken deep

into the Sierras in pictures that praise the intimate as well as the magisterial. Tim's eye, balanced and wide-ranging, finds delight in the lone marmot, the brilliant California poppy, the architectural columns at the Devil's Postpile, the lunar landscape of Mount Gayle, the immanent power of the Tuolumne River at Glen Aulin Falls, and the breathtaking, distant sweep of Mount Humphreys and the Eastern Sierra. Anybody who has ever been moved by a mountain, lake, stream, tree or flower needs to get hold of this book.

Great book, beautiful pictures, but I was very disappointed in the condition it came in when delivered. It looked like the book had water damage to one of the corners, and many of the pages were bent or damaged because of this.

The beauty of the Sierra Nevada mountains - something that doesn't get old to just stare at, even in photographic form. "Luminous Mountains: The Sierra Nevada of California" is a compilation of well over one hundred and thirty five photographs of the beautiful mountain range in various states of day, displaying a different type of beauty through each time of a day. An ideal coffee table book for lovers of beautiful scenery, "Luminous Mountains: The Sierra Nevada of California" is ideal for any community library collection focusing on nature photography.

Extremely interesting book by a very interesting person, I couldn't put it down and read it in one sitting. Also some great photos too.

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