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### The Experience of Nature

Simple Life describes a rich outdoor life using simple means, a life experiment exploring values and relationships between people and nature, as well as among people.

### Plan a Happy Life(tm)

This book explores human-nature connectedness through deep ecological philosophy and conservation social science. Emphasizing ecologically-inclusive identities, it argues that connection to nature is more important than many environmental advocates realize and that deep ecology contributes much to the increasingly pressing conversations about it.

### Nature First

This book brings together science fiction, history, visual art, and exploration to reframe the relationship among climate, crisis, and creation. A Year Without a Winter presents stories by four renowned science fiction authors alongside critical essays, extracts from Mary Shelley's Frankenstein, and dispatches from extreme geographies.

### In Praise of Paths

What do wild animals mean to humans? Will they survive both rampant habitat loss and extinction caused by human encroachment and, as ecotourists, our enthusiasm for them? With ecotourism now the fastest growing segment of tourism, and encounters with wild animals - be it swimming with dolphins, going on safari or bird watching - ever more popular, these are critical questions. Yet until now little has been known about why people crave encounters with wild animals and the meaning for the ecotourism industry, conservation efforts and society at large. Facing the Wild is the first serious empirical examination of why people seek out animals in their natural environment, what the desire for this experience tells us about the meanings of animals, nature, authenticity and wilderness in contemporary industrialized societies, and whether visitors change their environmental perspectives and behaviour, as the custodians of wildlife parks would like them to. The book explores the contradictions and ambivalence that so many people experience in the presence of 'wild nature' - in loving it we may diminish it and in the act of wanting to see it we may destroy it. Ultimately the book makes a case for 'respectful stewardship' of a 'hybrid nature' and provides

insight for both practitioners and ecotourists alike.

## The Indigenous Identity of the South Saami

This open access book is a novel contribution in two ways: It is a multi-disciplinary examination of the indigenous South Saami people in Fennoscandia, a social and cultural group that often is overlooked as it is a minority within the Saami minority. Based on both historical material such as archaeological evidence, 20th century newspapers, and postcard motives as well as current sources such as ongoing land-right trials and recent works of historiography, the articles highlight the culture and living conditions of this indigenous group, mapping the negotiations of different identities through the interaction of Saami and non-Saami people through the ages. By illuminating this under-researched field, the volume also enriches the more general debate on global indigenous history, and sheds light on the construction of a Scandinavian identity and the limits of the welfare state and the myth of heterogeneity and equality.

## The Scandinavian Guide to Happiness

This book is aimed at an international readership. Friluftsliv is a Norwegian form of living outdoors in harmony with nature. The book demonstrates how friluftsliv is central to Norwegian social and cultural practices in the outdoors. The purpose of this book is to provide you with knowledge, ideas and perspectives that can enhance your understanding of nature and help make your stay in nature more purposeful and meaningful. Key themes addressed throughout the book include:

- Friluftsliv as a social and cultural phenomenon
- Friluftsliv as an educational approach
- Nature guiding and leadership in nature
- Outdoor adventure education
- Friluftsliv activities

Annette R. Hofmann, PhD, Professor for Sports Pedagogy at Ludwigsburg University of Education in Germany, and head of the sport department. Main fields of research: ski history, history of women's ski jumping, German American sports, women and sport. Besides sports pedagogy her teaching includes downhill and cross-country skiing and outdoor education (friluftsliv) in Norway's Arctic. Dr. Hofmann, Annette R., Professorin für Sportwissenschaft an der Pädagogischen Hochschule Ludwigsburg, Vizepräsidentin des Deutschen Turner-Bundes (DTB), Präsidentin der Internationalen Vereinigung für Sportgeschichte (ISHPES), Academic Editor Europe des International Journal of the History of Sport.

## Vitamin N

From the creator of the immensely popular Happy Planner and Me and My BIG Ideas, Stephanie Fleming, comes Plan a Happy Life(TM)--a delightfully practical book that shows you how to simplify, organize, and live with intention, all while having fun.

## Understanding the Danish Forest School Approach

Creative manifestos can trigger new ways of seeing problems, encourage us to be daring, and help us get out of a rut. Here are 100 inspiring examples from a variety of creatives, including writers, designers, architects, and engineers. These manifestos come in many different shapes and sizes, but each one addresses fundamental questions about what it means to be creative, where creativity comes from, and how to be more creative in everyday life.

## The Biophilia Hypothesis

“ A perfect antidote to the hyper-vigilant, extra-electrified, standardized-tested, house-arrested, 21st-century childhood. ” —Richard Louv, bestselling author of Last Child in the Woods and Vitamin N

Bringing Up Bébé meets Last Child in the Woods in this lively, insightful memoir about a mother who sets out to discover if the nature-centric parenting philosophy of her native Scandinavia holds the key to healthier, happier lives for her American children. When Swedish-born Linda McGurk moved to small-town Indiana with her American husband to start a family, she quickly realized that her outdoorsy ways were not the norm. In Sweden children play outside all year round, regardless of the weather, and letting young babies nap outside in freezing temperatures is not only common—it is a practice recommended by physicians. In the US, on the other hand, she found that the playgrounds, which she had expected to find teeming with children, were mostly deserted. In preschool, children were getting drilled to learn academic skills, while their Scandinavian counterparts were climbing trees, catching frogs, and learning how to compost. Worse, she realized that giving her daughters the same freedom to play outside that she had enjoyed as a child in Sweden could quickly lead to a visit by Child Protective Services. The brewing culture clash finally came to a head when McGurk was fined for letting her children play in a local creek, setting off an online firestorm when she expressed her anger and confusion on her blog. The rules and parenting philosophies of her native country and her adopted homeland were worlds apart. Struggling to fit in and to decide what was best for her children, McGurk turned to her own childhood for answers. Could the Scandinavian philosophy of “there is no such thing as bad weather, only bad clothes” be the key to better lives for her American children? And how would her children’s relationships with nature change by introducing them to Scandinavian concepts like friluftsliv (“open-air living”) and hygge (the coziness and the simple pleasures of home)? McGurk embarked on a six-month-long journey to Sweden to find out. There’s No Such Thing as Bad Weather is a fascinating personal narrative that highlights the importance of spending time outdoors, and illustrates how the Scandinavian culture could hold the key to raising healthier, resilient, and confident children in America.

### Adventure and Society

"Biophilia" is the term coined by Edward O. Wilson to describe what he believes is humanity's innate affinity for the natural world. In his landmark book *Biophilia*, he examined how our tendency to focus on life and lifelike processes might be a biologically based need, integral to our development as individuals and as a species. That idea has caught the imagination of diverse thinkers. The Biophilia Hypothesis brings together the views of some of the most creative scientists of our time, each attempting to amplify and refine the concept of biophilia. The variety of perspectives -- psychological, biological, cultural, symbolic, and aesthetic -- frame the theoretical issues by presenting empirical evidence that supports or refutes the hypothesis. Numerous examples illustrate the idea that biophilia and its converse, biophobia, have a genetic component: fear, and even full-blown phobias of snakes and spiders are quick to develop with very little negative reinforcement, while more threatening modern artifacts -- knives, guns, automobiles -- rarely elicit such a response. People find trees that are climbable and have a broad, umbrella-like canopy more attractive than trees without these characteristics; people would rather look at water, green vegetation, or flowers than built structures of glass and concrete. The biophilia hypothesis, if substantiated, provides a powerful argument for the conservation of biological diversity. More important, it implies serious consequences for our well-being as society becomes further estranged from the natural world. Relentless environmental destruction could have a significant impact on our quality of life, not just materially but psychologically and even spiritually.

### Routledge International Handbook of Outdoor Studies

### Connection to Nature, Deep Ecology, and Conservation Social Science

### Nature-based integration

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Provides fifty-two outdoor activities for families to help engage children in discovering and learning about nature, including observing ants, tracing stars, and cultivating a garden.

### Nature Play & Learning Places

From the author of the New York Times bestseller that defined nature-deficit disorder and launched the international children-and-nature movement, Vitamin N (for “ nature ” ) is a complete prescription for connecting with the power and joy of the natural world right now, with 500 activities for children and adults. Dozens of inspiring and thought-provoking essays. Scores of informational websites. Down-to-earth advice. In his landmark work *Last Child in the Woods*, Richard Louv was the first to bring widespread attention to the alienation of children from the natural world, coining the term nature-deficit disorder and outlining the benefits of a strong nature connection--from boosting mental acuity and creativity to reducing obesity and depression, from promoting health and wellness to simply having fun. That book “ rivaled Rachel Carson ’ s *Silent Spring* ” (the *Cincinnati Enquirer*), was “ an absolute must-read for parents ” (the *Boston Globe*), and “ an inch-thick caution against raising the fully automated child ” (the *New York Times*). His follow-up book, *The Nature Principle*, addressed the needs of adults and outlined a “ new nature movement and its potential to improve the lives of all people no matter where they live ” (McClatchy Newspapers). *Vitamin N* is a one-of-a-kind, comprehensive, and practical guidebook for the whole family and the wider community, including tips not only for parents eager to share nature with their kids but also for those seeking nature-smart schools, medical professionals, and even careers. It is a dose of pure inspiration, reminding us that looking up at the stars or taking a walk in the woods is as exhilarating as it is essential, at any age.

### Creative Manifestos

The beloved host of PBS Kids' *Dinosaur Train* presents an activity-complemented guide for caregivers and teachers on how to alleviate common childhood challenges by forging strong connections between children and nature. 25,000 first printing.

### Sisu

Nordic countries are world leaders in organising society and it is no wonder Finland has been ranked among the happiest places in the world with an enviable work-life balance. And so it was a major culture shock when journalist Anu Partanen moved from her Nordic home to America. Basic activities, from buying a mobile to filing taxes, were so much more complicated. As Partanen got to know her new neighbours, she discovered that they too shared her deep apprehensions, and she set out to understand why society in America (and much of the Western world) is organised in such a convoluted way. In so doing, she reveals that the Nordic approach allows people to enjoy more individual freedom and independence from the government while promoting a greater sense of well-being. Filled with fascinating insights, advice and practical solutions, *The Nordic Theory of Everything* makes a convincing argument that we can rebuild society, rekindle optimism and become more autonomous people by following in the footsteps of our neighbours to the North.

### Finding Gratitude

A simple antidote to our nature-starved lives, *The Joy of Forest Bathing* is an enticing and comprehensive introduction to forest bathing—or *Shinrin-yoku*, in Japan—the meditative practice of connecting with nature and disconnecting from the distractions of daily life. Full sensory immersion in the beauty and wonder of nature and trees can produce mental, emotional, and physical health benefits. Research has shown that forest bathing lowers blood pressure, pulse rate, and cortisol levels; improves mood; and may even boost our

immunity to cancer and other diseases. The Joy of Forest Bathing invites you to experience the benefits of this healing practice for yourself. Learn the history and background of forest bathing, followed by detailed instructions for establishing a forest bathing practice in your own adopted “ wild home, ” encompassed in three steps: 1. Disengagement from your daily routine 2. Deep breathing and nature connection through a series of quiet activities or “ invitations ” 3. Transitioning back to your daily life This restorative activity can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities: children, teenagers, and even senior citizens with limited mobility and people recovering from illness and surgery. And you don ’ t need to travel to the Japanese alps to experience the benefits of forest bathing. All you need is a small patch of untouched (or lightly touched) nature to adopt as your “ wild home. ” Within, find practical tips and inspiration for forest bathing through the seasons: in the winter, when the leafless trees open up new vistas; in the spring, when you can hear the melodious serenade of song birds as they nest in the newly formed green canopy; in the summer, watching the butterflies nectaring on wildflowers; and in the autumn, when you can catch glimpses of hurried squirrels storing food for the winter. The Joy of Forest Bathing introduces a variety of activities that can be enhanced with forest bathing elements, such as mindfulness practices, exercise, art and writing, and outdoor celebrations. Learn, too, how surrendering to the mysteries of nature can provide guidance through difficult times. As you find nourishment in nature, you will instinctively begin to wonder how you can preserve and protect this healing resource. This guide includes suggestions for tending to your “ wild home. ” Illustrated throughout with enchanting artwork by Dutch illustrator Lieke van der Vorst and stunning nature photography, The Joy of Forest Bathing is the perfect guide to enhancing your life with the wondrous world of nature. The Live Well series from Rock Point invites you to create a life you love through multiple acts of self-discovery and reinvention. These encouraging gift books touch on fun yet hardworking self-improvement strategies, whether it ’ s learning to value progress over perfection, taking time to meditate and slow down to literally smell the roses, or finding time to show gratitude and develop a personal mantra. From learning how to obtain more restful sleep and creating a healthy work/life balance to developing personal style and your own happy place, the Live Well series encourages you to live your best life. Other titles in the series include: Progress Over Perfection; Find Your Flow; Be Happy; Seeking Slow; Finding Gratitude; Eff This! Meditation; Find Your Mantra; It Had to be You; Men ’ s Society; Genius Jokes; The Calm and Cozy Book of Sleep; Beating Burnout; Ayurveda for Life; Choose Happy; and You Got This.

## The Nordic Art of Sisu

This Handbook serves as a starting point for critical analysis and discourse about the status of women in outdoor learning environments (OLEs). Women choose to participate actively in outdoors careers, many believing the profession is a level playing field and that it offers alternatives to traditional sporting activities. They enter outdoor learning primarily on the strength of their enthusiasm for leading and teaching in natural environments and assume the field is inclusive, rewarding excellence regardless of age, gender, socioeconomic status, disability, or ethnicity. However, both research and collective experiences in OLEs suggest that many women feel invisible, relegated, marginalized, and undervalued. In response to this marginalization, this Handbook celebrates the richness of knowledge and practices of women practitioners in OLEs. Women scholars and practitioners from numerous fields, such as experiential outdoor education, adventure education, adventure therapy, and gender studies, explore the implications of their research and practice using poignant examples within their own disciplines. These insights emerge from similar life experiences as women and outdoor leaders in the 1970s to the present. Social inequalities still abound in OLEs, and the Handbook ensures that the contributions of women are highlighted as well as the work that needs to be done to make these spaces inclusive. Global in perspective and capacious in content, this one-stop volume is an indispensable reference resource for a diverse range of academics, including students and researchers in the fields of education, psychology, sociology, gender studies, geography, and environment studies, as well as the many outdoors fields.

## The Joy of Forest Bathing

This huge international bestseller, fully revised for non-American readers, is now in ebook. Last Child in the Woods shows how our children have become increasingly alienated and distant from nature, why this matters, and what we can do to make a difference. It is unsentimental, rigorous and utterly original. 'A cri de coeur for our children' Guardian Camping in the garden, riding bikes through the woods, climbing trees, collecting bugs, picking wildflowers, running through piles of autumn leaves These are the things childhood memories are made of. But for a whole generation of today's children the pleasures of a free-range childhood are missing, and their indoor habits contribute to epidemic obesity, attention-deficit disorder, isolation and childhood depression. This timely book shows how our children have become increasingly alienated and distanced from nature, why this matters and how we can make a difference. Last Child in the Woods is a clarion call, brilliantly written, compelling and irresistibly persuasive - a book that will change minds and lives.

### The Nordic Theory of Everything

Translated as resilience or perseverance, the Finnish concept of *sisu* is about never giving up, no matter how impossible a task may seem. At its heart lies the idea of rebounding from failure and using that experience to grow. This friendly introductory guide, filled with inspirational quotes, explains how to embrace *sisu* and incorporate its principles into daily life. Learn how to welcome change and turn difficult situations into opportunities for self-reflection.

### Recharge

The 'outdoors' is a physical and ideological space in which people engage with their environment, but it is also an important vehicle for learning and for leisure. The Routledge Handbook of Outdoor Studies is the first book to attempt to define and survey the multi-disciplinary set of approaches that constitute the broad field of outdoor studies, including outdoor recreation, outdoor education, adventure education, environmental studies, physical culture studies and leisure studies. It reflects upon the often haphazard development of outdoor studies as a discipline, critically assesses current knowledge in outdoor studies, and identifies further opportunities for future research in this area. With a broader sweep than any other book yet published on the topic, this handbook traces the philosophical and conceptual contours of the discipline, as well as exploring key contemporary topics and debates, and identifying important issues in education and professional practice. It examines the cultural, social and political contexts in which people experience the outdoors, including perspectives on outdoor studies from a wide range of countries, providing the perfect foundation for any student, researcher, educator or outdoors practitioner looking to deepen their professional knowledge of the outdoors and our engagement with the world around us.

### Proceedings RMRS.

An resource for those wishing to understand the driving factors behind the operation of an adventure tourism company, this textbook offers guidance on how to deliver a profitable and sustainable product. The importance of changing markets, technology and corporate social responsibility, including environmental impacts and climate change, are discussed in the context of managing an adventure tourism firm. To remain profitable, companies must address these issues along with the important aspects of risk and safety. Key features include: - Case studies from successful professionals in the industry. - Consideration of the development of sustainable adventure tourism. - Guidance on managing products and customers."

### The Palgrave International Handbook of Women and Outdoor Learning

## Nature First

Describes and shows footprints made by different animals, including deer, bears, and birds, and discusses why tracks made by the same animal can appear different depending on the conditions in which they were made.

## Play the Forest School Way

Are you being consumed by never-ending to-do lists? Are you working harder and enjoying less? Seeking Slow provides simple ways for you to slow down and reconnect with yourself, your family, and your surroundings—while finding joy in doing so. If daily life feels too busy and hectic, it's time to discover the beauty of slow living. Being fully present and intentional with your time allows you to embrace the wholehearted moments that are right in front of you every day. Take time to consider what your slow moments are, whether that is heading outdoors for a walk with family, learning to meditate, taking up a new craft, reading a book, or simply taking a long deep breath during a busy day. This soothing book includes helpful insights into: Managing your time Learning to nurture yourself Making a slow home Seasonal living Living sustainably Meditation and mindful living Daily slow-living rituals Feel your heart rate drop as you read this gentle guide to slowing down.

## Wild Tracks!

As the full effects of human activity on Earth's life-support systems are revealed by science, the question of whether we can change, fundamentally, our relationship with nature becomes increasingly urgent. Just as important as an understanding of our environment, is an understanding of ourselves, of the kinds of beings we are and why we act as we do. In *Loving Nature* Kay Milton considers why some people in Western societies grow up to be nature lovers, actively concerned about the welfare and future of plants, animals, ecosystems and nature in general, while others seem indifferent or intent on destroying these things. Drawing on findings and ideas from anthropology, psychology, cognitive science and philosophy, the author discusses how we come to understand nature as we do, and above all, how we develop emotional commitments to it. Anthropologists, in recent years, have tended to suggest that our understanding of the world is shaped solely by the culture in which we live. Controversially Kay Milton argues that it is shaped by direct experience in which emotion plays an essential role. The author argues that the conventional opposition between emotion and rationality in western culture is a myth. The effect of this myth has been to support a market economy which systematically destroys nature, and to exclude from public decision making the kinds of emotional attachments that support more environmentally sensitive ways of living. A better understanding of ourselves, as fundamentally emotional beings, could give such ways of living the respect they need.

## I Love Dirt!

Make time for the things that really matter in life. Find balance and happiness in your daily life, the Scandinavian way, with *The Scandinavian Guide to Happiness!* There ' s a reason Finland, Denmark, Norway, Iceland, and The Netherlands consistently rank as the top 5 happiest countries on earth! Find out the secrets to their happiness and fulfillment in *The Scandinavian Guide to Happiness*, which shares centuries of Nordic wisdom, including: - Lykke: Happiness is all around you (Denmark) - Lagom: Just the right amount—not too much, not too little (Sweden) - Fika: Taking daily coffee breaks and other comforting rituals (Sweden) - Hygge: Coziness brings comfort, courage, and happiness (Denmark) - Sisuvilje: Everyday courage, grit, and determination & acting rationally in the face of adversity These basic principles will help you see how to have a happy life without buying anything, changing yourself, or making any other crazy

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drastic changes! Topics include Simplicity, Happiness, Health & Wellness, Relationships, Nature-Inspired Living, and more. Full of inspiring, encouraging ideas—and charming illustrations!—this thoughtful Scandinavian guide is sure to put a happy glow on your life.

### Facing the Wild

Friluftsliv is an approach to creating a relationship between humans and nature. Nature First explores ways of applying this wisdom to everyday out-of-doors life.

### Simple Life "Friluftsliv"

A month-by-month self-care bible by world-renowned wellness guru Julie Montagu. 'The ultimate self-care bible for women who want to find their balance in life' Mel Wells 'Wonderful and insightful . . . proves that when you choose YOU every single day, not only will you have more energy for yourself, but you'll have more energy to give back to everyone else.' Kris Carr 'This book is bursting with positivity, happiness & a whole wealth of knowledge' Chessie King Recently named one of the top ten holistic health icons in the world, Julie Montagu knows a thing or two about health and happiness. In Recharge, Montagu shares an abundance of guidance, tips and advice designed to help you keep self-care at the forefront of your mind and support you on your journey to a well-rounded sense of wellness. Recharge is your month-by-month self-care bible to help replenish your mind, body and soul. Each month of the year covers a specific area of self-care including mindful eating, managing stress, digital detox, rebuilding self-esteem, finding your passions and more.

### A Year Without a Winter

This book provides a broad overview of the ways in which 'adventurous practices' influence, and are influenced by, the world around them. The concept of adventure is one that is too often tackled within subject silos of philosophy, education, tourism, or leisure. While much of the analysis is strong, there is little cross-pollination between disciplines. Adventure & Society pulls together the threads of these discourses into one coherent treatment of the term 'adventure' and the role that it plays in human social life of the 21st century. It explores how these practices can be considered more deeply through theoretical discourses of capitalism, identity construction, technology and social media, risk-taking, personal development, equalities, and sustainability. As such, the book speaks to a broad audience of undergraduate and postgraduate students across diverse subject areas, and aims to be an accessible starting point for deeper inquiry.

### Adventure Tourism and Outdoor Activities Management

Translated from Norwegian as "free life air," friluftsliv highlights the basic need for humans to connect with the natural world. It's not about conquering nature, or about activities: it's about finding harmony and becoming one with the outdoors. Enter a friluftsliv state of mind with this inspiring guide that explains how spending time in nature, even a simple Sunday walk in a local park, can improve our well-being and encourage productive self-reflection.

### Loving Nature

This fully revised edition of Understanding the Danish Forest School Approach is a much needed source of information for those wishing to extend and consolidate their understanding of the Danish Forest School Approach. It enables analysis of the essential elements of this particular approach to early childhood teaching and the relationship it holds with quality early years practice. Describing the key principles of the Forest

School Approach to early childhood, and heavily supported with practical examples and case studies, each chapter ends with highlighted key points, followed by reflections on practice to aid discussion and reflection on own practice. Including a new chapter on the curriculum, this text explores all aspects of the approach including: The geographical, historical, social and cultural influences that have shaped the philosophy and pedagogy of the early years setting in Denmark. The people and theories that have influenced and supported the practices of using the outdoors with children. An analysis of the learning environments, their risks and challenges and what a learning environment is made up of. The Danish early years curriculum; the areas of learning and the way pedagogues facilitate the learning processes. Parental, political and research perspectives on the approach and the sustainability of its future. Understanding the Danish Forest School Approach highlights the key ideas that practitioners should consider when reviewing and reflecting on their own practice, and outlines the national appraisals and evaluations of the curriculum. Providing students and practitioners with key information about a major pedagogical influence on early years practice, this is a vital text for students, early years and childcare practitioners, teachers, early years professionals, children 's centre professionals, lecturers, advisory teachers and setting managers.

### Friluftsliv

Your practical guide to better health, stronger relationships, and a happier life--by reconnecting with nature There is something simply soul-soothing about being in nature. In fact, research shows that spending time outside can improve the immune system, combat stress hormones, lower blood pressure, and boost self-esteem. Around the globe, rising movements are driving us to reconnect with Mother Nature--from shinrin-yoku ("forest bathing") in Japan to friluftsliv ("open-air life") in Scandinavia--yet our everyday lifestyles have distanced us from the great outdoors. For stressed-out professionals, reclusive bookworms, worn-out parents, and their cooped-up kids, Forest Therapy shares why getting back to nature is critically important for our well-being, and offers fun, easy practices to break out of hibernation. Forest bathing is a rising trend, but what to do if you're not near the woods or if the weather is dreary? Forest Therapy offers practical steps and inspiration to tap into nature's restorative power, no matter the season or the weather. Chapters address ideas for all four seasons, as well as ways to use experiences in nature as ways to deepen your relationships with your children, partner, and friends. Ivens's creative ideas and strategies range from a simple walk in the woods and countryside couples' therapy to DIY natural beauty products and simple ways to bring the great outdoors into your home. Illustrated with charming black-and-white line art, Forest Therapy is a warm, witty, and personal guide to improving your health, finding happiness, and living a fabulous al fresco life.

### Forest Therapy

Finding Gratitude introduces the concept of gratitude and the power of positive thinking in everyday life with simple reminders, beautiful photography, and easy-to-digest research on the topic. Gratitude is the feeling of appreciation or thanks, a concept that has been strongly associated with greater happiness and believed by many in the wellness industry to improve overall health. Join the growing number of people who are improving their health and outlook on life with appreciative thoughts. The powerful women behind this book, Bex Lipp and Nicky Perry, are part of AwesoME Inc, an organization that inspires their audience to use gratitude and positive thinking for mental and physical wellness. This timeless book contains short reminders that happiness can be found in the simplest things. Beautifully designed pages are accompanied by simple explanations that communicate the many reasons we can have to find gratitude each day. Finding Gratitude will help you improve your life—or the life of a family, friend, or co-worker—through conscious changes and environmental awareness. Soon, you will see more, enjoy more, and appreciate more.

### Seeking Slow

Often translated as resilience or perseverance, the Finnish concept of *sisu* is about never giving up, even when a task is seemingly impossible. Considered a hot topic of popular psychology, *sisu* is regarded as having a positive impact on mental health. At the heart of *sisu* is the idea of getting back up from failures, whether that be losing a job or the end of a relationship, and having the courage to use that experience to further oneself. Running a marathon and feel like you've hit a wall? Got a business idea but too scared to try it? Channelling *sisu* can be the key to overcoming both mental and physical blocks. Although a Finnish concept, this book explains how anyone can embrace *sisu* and channel their inner courage to make the most of any situation.

### Norwegian Friluftsliv

An ode to paths and the journeys we take through nature, as told by a gifted writer who stopped driving and rediscovered the joys of traveling by foot. Torbjørn Ekelund started to walk—everywhere—after an epilepsy diagnosis affected his ability to drive. The more he ventured out, the more he came to love the act of walking, and an interest in paths emerged. In this poignant, meandering book, Ekelund interweaves the literature and history of paths with his own stories from the trail. As he walks with shoes on and barefoot, through forest creeks and across urban streets, he contemplates the early tracks made by ancient snails and traces the wanderings of Romantic poets, amongst other musings. If we still “understand ourselves in relation to the landscape,” Ekelund asks, then what do we lose in an era of car travel and navigation apps? And what will we gain from taking to paths once again?

### There's No Such Thing as Bad Weather

Whereas the popular Danish philosophy of *hygge* espouses the joys of turning your home into a cosy sanctuary, the Norwegian concept of *friluftsliv* encourages us to get out into the great outdoors. However, *friluftsliv* - or 'free air life' - means much more than going on camping trips; it reflects an innate understanding of the basic human need to connect with the natural world. Rather than seeking to conquer nature - climb the highest mountain, for example - it is about simply spending time with nature and finding harmony with its rhythms. In Norway, even city dwellers are never far from fjords, parks, and woodland, but this book explains how anyone can enter a *friluftsliv* state of mind, make the most of their outdoor opportunities and reap the benefits for their mental, physical and spiritual wellbeing.

### How to Raise a Wild Child

*Friluftsliv* is an approach to creating a relationship between humans and nature. *Nature First* explores ways of applying this wisdom to everyday out-of-doors life.

### The Nordic Art of Friluftsliv

Increased attention to, and careful planning of the integration of migrants into Nordic societies is ever more important. Nature based integration is a new solution to respond to this need. This report presents the results of a Nordic survey and workshop and illustrates current practices of nature based integration by case study descriptions from Denmark, Sweden Norway and Finland. Across Nordic countries several practical projects and initiatives have been launched to promote the benefits of nature in integration and there is also growing academic interest in the topic. Nordic countries have the potential of becoming real forerunners in nature based integration even at the global scale.

### Last Child in the Woods

Forest School is founded on a philosophy of nature-based play and learning that encourages children to

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develop confidence and self-esteem. This book will get your kids outside, making and building in the real world (instead of on a computer screen!). Whether your local woodland is a forest or a strip of trees along the edge of an urban park, these activities provide fantastic opportunities for family time and will encourage your children to fall in love with outdoor play. This is the first book to share Forest School games, crafts and skill-building activities with families and friends, its magical illustrations and simple instructions drawing children easily into a world of wonder.

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