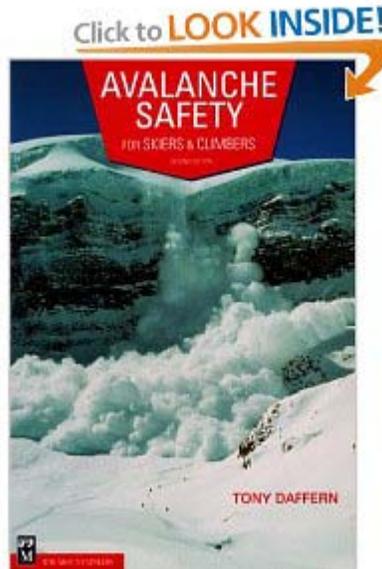


Avalanche safety for skiers and climbers

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This book is a thoroughly illustrated manual emphasizing the avoidance of avalanche risk by good route-finding and recognition of dangerous slopes. It is written specifically for climbers, backcountry powder-hounds, and ski tourers.

Ski tourers, telemark skiers, ski mountaineers and climbers are all at risk of being caught in an avalanche, yet many don't know how to see the signs and avoid dangerous slopes. This book gives them all the basic information they need to evaluate the snowpack, spot dangerous slopes, and avoid setting off slides themselves.

First explaining how mountain weather and various forms of snow affect avalanche hazard, Daffern then covers the types of avalanches and how they are triggered. He suggests skiers and climbers a variety of tests they can apply on the slopes to evaluate the safety of the terrain. With illustrative photographs and clear explanations, this guide provides winter sports enthusiasts with what they need to learn on how to travel safely in mountainous terrain, and how to react if their group is caught in an avalanche.

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