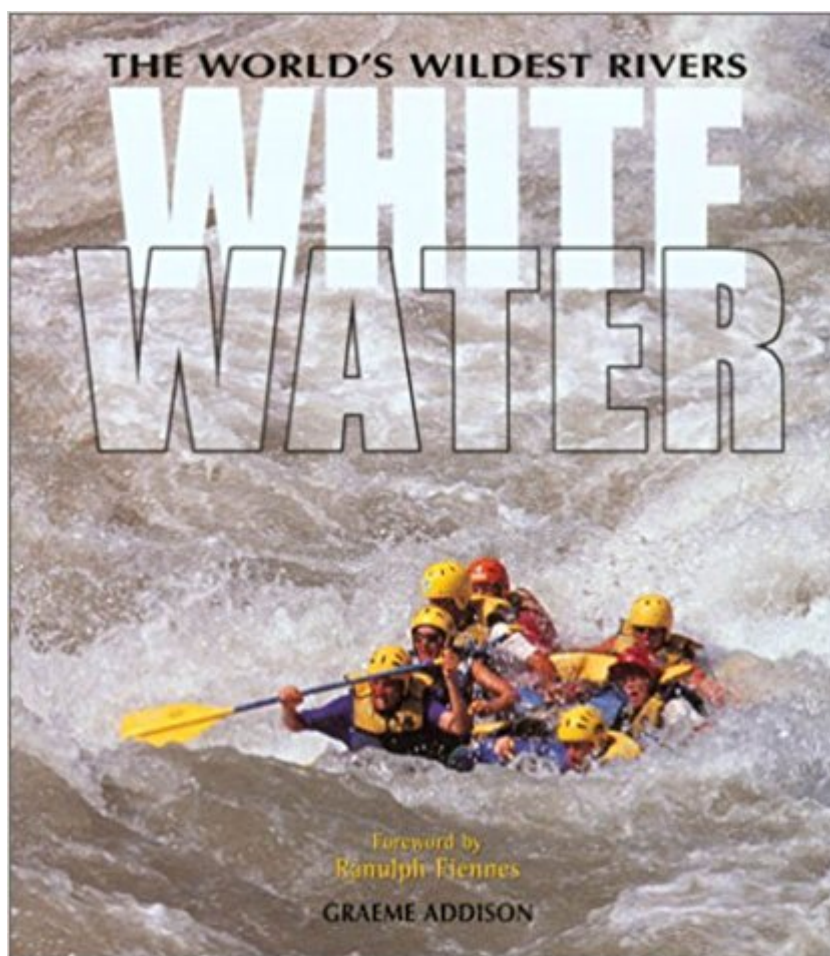




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Graeme Addison (father of world-renown paddler Corran Addison) pioneered whitewater rafting in South Africa, opening the first river tourism company in the country. A founding member of the Southern African Rivers Association and former head of its instructor council, he currently runs the tourism portfolio for the International Rafting Federation. He lives in Pretoria, South Africa.

The first of it's kind, great histories about the first descents.

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