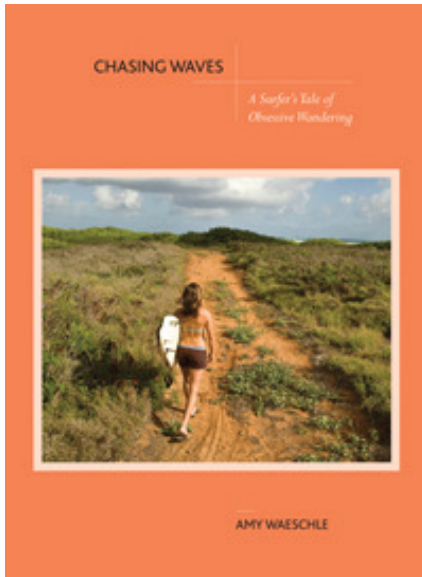




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New Adventure Narrative Celebrates Daring Adventures and Surf Saturated Dreams

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON—With a verve for travel and an addiction to the ocean, Northwest native, Amy Waeschle explores her lust for surfing in her new book *Chasing Waves: A Surfer's Tale of Obsessive Wandering* (Mountaineers Books, Paperback, \$16.95). Becoming a surf addict shortly after catching her first wave more than seven years ago, to Waeschle, surfing is more of a feeling than an actual sport, combining the mental quest for exploration with the physicality of riding a wave.

Hunting down waves in remote corners of the world, from Morocco to Fiji to Canada, Waeschle has found unique and fascinating cultures that have changed her views and fostered her surfing mission. *Chasing Waves* is her collection of interrelated stories based on these adventures and a chronicle of her evolution from nervous newbie to self-confident and skillful surfer. Anyone who has ever longed for a daring diversion from their day job will connect with these tales of wanderlust, vagabonding, and riding the surf.

Amy Waeschle is a freelance writer and photographer whose work has appeared in *Surf Life for Women*, the *Seattle Times*, and the *Bellingham Herald*. Her short story, "Making Pie With Grandma," was a finalist for the 2005 Zola Award. She lives in Seattle, Washington with her husband and daughter.

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