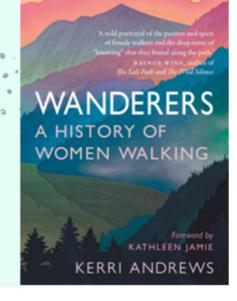


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DR KERRI ANDREWS

WANDERERS:
A HISTORY OF WOMEN WALKING

'A wild portrayal of the passion and spirit of female walkers and the deep sense of "knowing" that they found along the path'- Raynor Winn, author of The Salt Path and The Wild Silence.

Dr Kerri Andrew traces the footsteps of ten women walker-writers from eighteenth-century parson's daughter Elizabeth Carter to more recent writing from Nan Shepherd and Cheryl Strayed. Her book Wanderers offers a beguiling, alternative view of the history of walking.

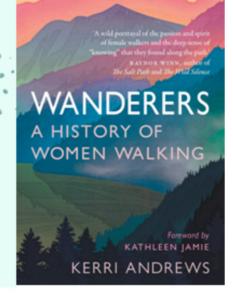
Kerri Andrews originally comes from Worcestershire but has lived in Scotland for the past ten years. For most of that time she has lived in the Scottish Borders south of Edinburgh. She took her undergraduate degree at Loughborough University before moving to the University of Leeds to complete first a Masters then a PhD in women's literature.

At Leeds she discovered the delights of the Yorkshire Dales, before falling in love first with the Lake District and then the Scottish mountains. She has so far climbed over 120 of Scotland's Munros.

She lives in Scotland with her husband and two young children.

Wanderers is Kerri's first book for a wide audience. Her second book, Way Makers,
will be published later in 2023.





Page 2. WAY MAKERS: AN ANTHOLOGY OF WOMEN'S WRITING ABOUT WALKING

The follow-up to the bestselling <u>Wanderers</u>, Kerri Andrews' Way Makers is the first anthology of women's writing about walking. Moving from the eighteenth century to the present day, and across poetry, letters, diaries, novels and more, this anthology traces a long tradition of women's walking literature.

Walking is, for the women included in this anthology, a source of creativity and comfort; it is a means of expressing grief, longing and desire. It is also a complicated activity: it represents freedom but is also sometimes tinged with danger and fear. What cannot be denied any longer is that walking was, and continues to be, an activity full of physical and emotional significance for women:

this anthology is testament to the rich literary heritage created by generations of women walker-writers over the centuries.