

# PROJECT PECK

6 sprints • 55 days • 5 locations



## Annie Smith Peck

American Mountaineer, Teacher & Journalist • 1850-1935

Peck scaled the Matterhorn in 1895 with **no oxygen tanks**, but the accomplishment was **overshadowed by what she wore**; a long tunic, climbing boots, and a pair of pants. At the time women were being arrested for wearing pants. This prompted public debate for what women can do in society and should do professionally.

Peck scaled multiple natural wonders **establishing mountain-climbing records** while **defying gender and age conventions**. She set the western hemisphere **altitude record** for being the **first person to climb** Peru's Mount Nevado Huascarán at **age 58**.

She climbed **her last mountain**, New Hampshire's Mount Madison, at **age 82**. She is remembered for her **adventurous spirit and determination**, forging new ground for women in a new sport.