

Week 08 Exercise

John Muir

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1 Wikipedia Introduction

John Muir (*April 21, 1838 – December 24, 1914*) also known as John of the Mountains, was a **Scottish-American** naturalist, author, environmental philosopher, glaciologist and early advocate for the preservation of wilderness in the United States. His letters, essays, and books describing his adventures in nature, especially in the **Sierra Nevada**, have been read by millions.

His activism has helped to preserve the Yosemite Valley, Sequoia National Park and many other wilderness areas. The Sierra Club, which he founded, is a prominent American conservation organization.

1.1 More Details

In his later life, Muir devoted most of his time to the preservation of the Western forests. He petitioned the U.S. Congress for the National Park bill that was passed in 1890, establishing Yosemite National Park.