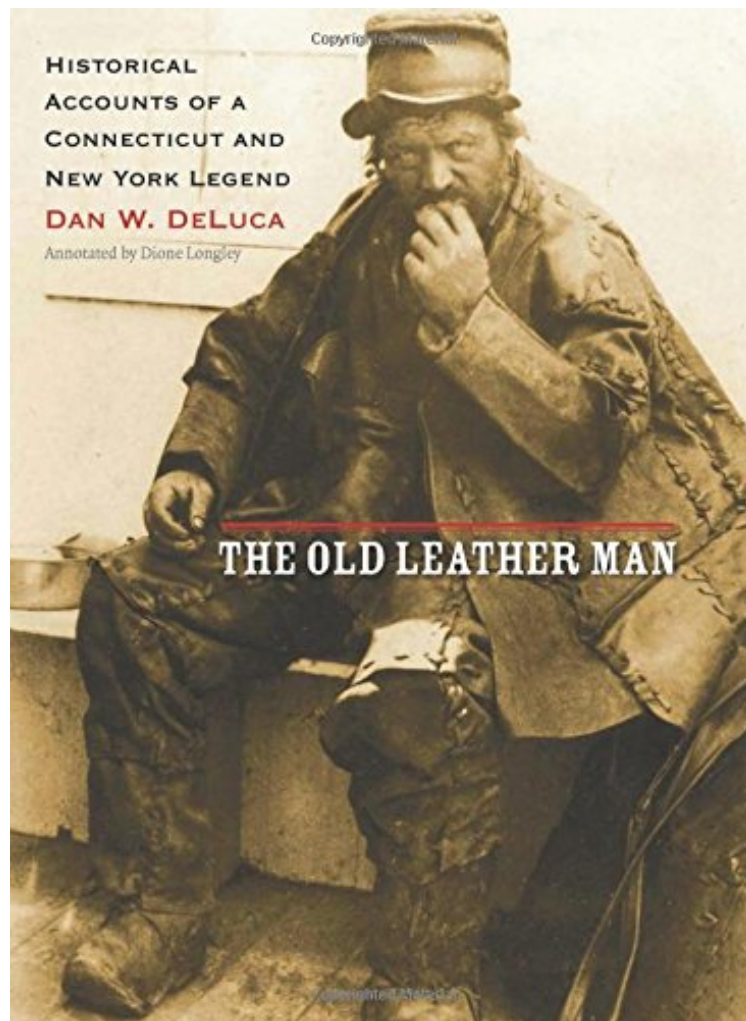


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Great book if youre interested in the subject matterBy homeownerguyI grew up in western connecticut in one of the towns that this person passed through, and I was told the legend of the Leatherman for years. The Leatherman is one of the few remaining folklore myths of that part of the country. This book contains nothing actually written by the author other than an introduction; it's actually a

chronological collection of old news articles reporting sightings and opinions on this person from back then, and old photos and maps of CT and New York country towns and villages from the late 1800s. From these historical articles, the author was able to trace a very accurate account of a 30 year wandering period consisting of several round trips, able to tell you when and where the Leatherman showed up and who he visited. There are also reprints of every known photo of this character. Not only a great story of a mythical folklore figure but also a window into small-town life in rural New York and CT during a time in America's history that is no more. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. In the range....By N.MI spent the later of my childhood in Berlin, CT. I heard of this man when I was around 10. A friends father took us to his cave on Four Rod Rd behind their property and introduced me to the history of him. I have also been to the shelters at Ragged Mt that this book confirms. A great book filled with great archival news clippings. A lot of pictures that aren't scanned online, at least from what I have seen. I learned more than i can keep about this man compared to the simple story I once heard. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Kathy Shawlvery interesting book.....thank you for being able to obtain a copy!

In 1883, wearing a sixty-pound suit sewn from leather boot-tops, a wanderer known only as the Leather Man began to walk a 365 mile loop between the Connecticut and Hudson Rivers that he would complete every 34 days, for almost six years. His circuit took him through at least 41 towns in southwestern Connecticut and southeastern New York, sleeping in caves, accepting food from townspeople, and speaking only in grunts and gestures along the way. What remains of the mysterious Leather Man today are the news clippings and photographs taken by the first-hand witnesses of this captivating individual. The Old Leather Man gathers the best of the early newspaper accounts of the Leather Man, and includes maps of his route, historic photographs of his shelters, the houses he was known to stop at along his way, and of the Leather Man himself. This history tracks the footsteps of the Leather Man and unravels the myths surrounding the man who made Connecticut's caves his home.

While this book offers up his life and times in the most complete manner as possible, the mystery of the Leather Man remains in tact. Eddie Vedder, Pearl Jam