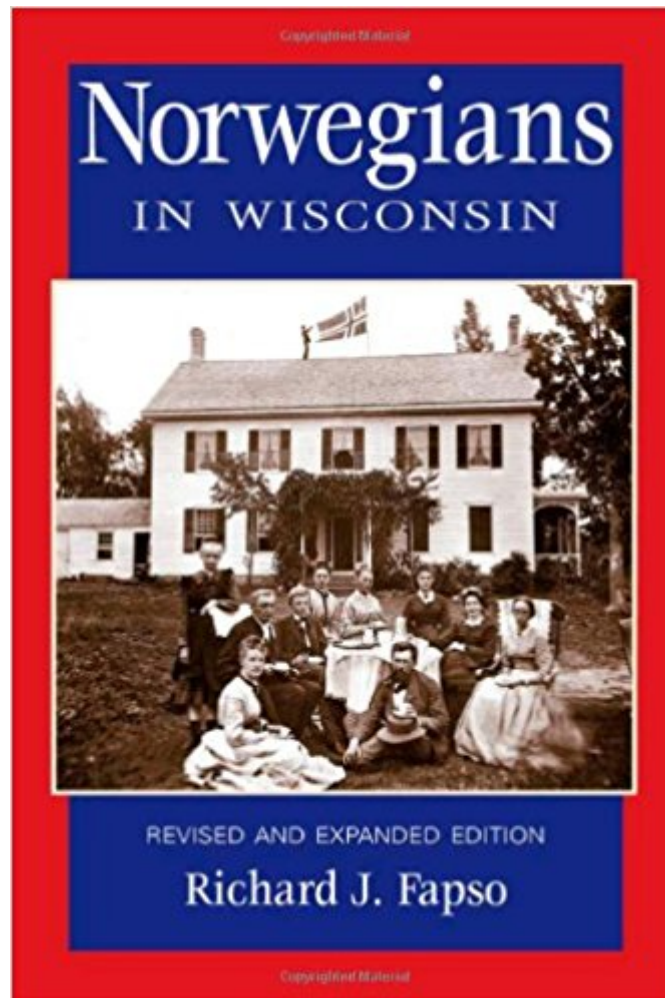




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Synopsis

This perennially popular book, now revised and expanded with additional historical photos and documents, offers a concise introduction to Wisconsin's Norwegian immigrants. The narrative examines the mass migration of Norwegians from 1837, when Ole Nattestad became the first Norwegian settler in Wisconsin, to the late nineteenth century, when Norwegian immigration largely came to a close. This volume demonstrates the efforts of immigrants to balance newfound American customs with the most treasured traditions of their homeland. New to this edition are selected letters of Ole Munch R  der, a scholar sent by the Norwegian government in 1847 to study the American legal system. R  der visited several Wisconsin cities and villages and paid special attention to the Norwegian community. His compelling accounts, which appeared in newspapers in Norway, offer a contemporary view of Norwegian life in Wisconsin.

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Very helpful in understanding some of the challenges that the early Norwegian immigrants faced. Fits in with ancestry research that our family has been pursuing.

Great product, good price and fast delivery

Good read!

As I was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and am 100% Norwegian, I really enjoyed this book.

I am of Norwegian descent and my ancestors settled in Wisconsin, so I was anxious to read important historical information about the migration of Norwegians to the US, and WI in particular. The book states it is "Revised and Expanded Edition". Well, it is barely 66 pages in its entirety, of which fully 22 are quoted letters and another 18 are pictures and the text starts with page 5. That leaves a mere 21 pages of written text. REALLY???? That's all the information you can find to put in the "Revised and Expanded Edition"??? And there is absolutely not one reference to the Norwegian Settlement north of Albany - in Southern Wisconsin - which still bears that name to this day, including an original stone Norwegian Settlement Lutheran Church where members of my family attended until the congregation built a new sanctuary in town several years ago. The church is now apparently a museum although I have not been able to visit as of this writing. This is the area my family settled after moving over from Spring Valley and Orfordville areas. I would think there would be much more scholarly research that could be presented in a volume boldly titled "Norwegians in Wisconsin"... and produced by the Wisconsin Historical Society, no less. Shameful even for \$10!

Interesting book regarding immigration

Being a Wisconsin norwegian descendent, this was a fantastic book. I enjoyed reading about places I was familiar with and pictured my grand parents and great grandparents living their daily lives. I am so very glad I purchased this. I learned some surprising information also.

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