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## Customer Reviews

Philip Briggs has been exploring the highways, byways and backwaters of Africa since 1986, when he spent several months backpacking on a shoestring from Nairobi to Cape Town. He first visited Ethiopia in 1994 to research the Bradt Guide and has since revisited it several times to update more recent editions. He has visited more than two dozen African countries in total and written about most of them for specialist travel and wildlife magazines including Africa Birds & Birding, Africa Geographic, BBC Wildlife, Travel Africa and Wanderlust. He still spends at least four months on the road every year, usually accompanied by his wife, the travel photographer Ariadne Van Zandbergen, and spends his rest of the time battering away at a keyboard at home in South Africa.

I travel to Ethiopia frequently and I often stay for months. I know the country well, but I always use Brigg's Ethiopia guides as a reference while in-country for hotels, restaurants, travel methods, language issues, health matters, cultural matters, and other helpful information. This new 2015 edition of the Ethiopia Bradt Travel Guide by Philip Briggs is the best travel guide available for Ethiopia. I have compared.

I am used to the lonely planet so the format has taken some getting used to. It is by far the most recent of the guides for Ethiopia. Also very helpful there is a blog for updates to the book and I have seen the author chime in on message boards when certain aspects have been mentioned as changing. I really like the idea a person is dedicated to keeping this guide updated and useful not

just a staff writer passing through for a bit and moving on.

Just used this on a 23-day trip to Ethiopia. The background history, political, art and music sections are great. Especially loved the recommendations in the music section. Used it in the north and south of Ethiopia for numerous sites with great success. Compared it to other guide books other travelers had on the trip (Lonely Planet, etc.) and this one seemed the best. Be sure to get the latest version published in December of 2015.

I used the Bradt guide during my recent trip to Ethiopia and the print guide is invaluable because internet resources on Ethiopia travel are frankly pretty lacking. The only alternative is Lonely Planet but I never recommend LP except as a last resort if no other guides are out there. The history and culture section was comprehensive enough to get a feel for the background of a lot of the historic sites (Lalibela's rock churches, Gonder's castles, etc.) and understand everything from the love of injera to the different annoyances in each specific location. It is truly comprehensive so even though I had enough information on major tourist points I visited such as Axum and Bahir Dar as a do-it-myself traveler, the guide does detail numerous smaller towns and cities and on-the-road points of interest, so think of it as an investment for multiple trips. The final thing I love about the guide is the honesty about the challenges of traveling in Ethiopia, down to bringing a flashlight to Addis airport if you need to claim a lost bag or young kids sometimes pelting you with stones. That sort of information is probably the most important in mentally preparing to visit.

Excellent guide book. Easy to read and so much pertinent information. This book never left my side during my trip and I could not have made my plans without the help of this book.

reading it now prior to my trip in May, feel like I already went there!

detail information but need to update it

I travel in Ethiopia. This guide seems to give the best balance of price and useful information

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