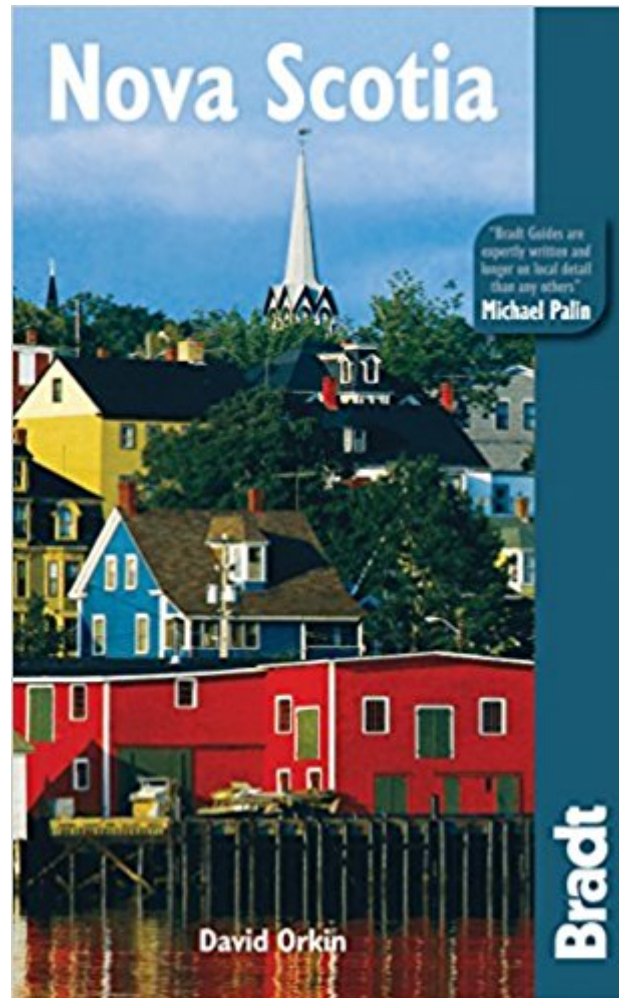




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Customer Reviews

'Comprehensively covers the "Kingdom of New Scotland.'" Independent Traveller

David Orkin is a freelance travel writer. Having recently bought a cottage in Nova Scotia, he now spends several months there each year.

After returning from a ten day vacation from Nova Scotia I would highly recommend this guide to anyone planning a trip. Our trip was a combination of Camping in Cape Breton Highlands National Park and a few nights in small motels/inns along our travel routes. We found most of the guide to be very on point and found the restaurant guides particularly helpful in the more remote areas. The extra tidbits of information/history, etc were a nice little bonus. Could we have found a majority of the information online? Certainly. But traveling outside our country and having to rely on public wifi for internet access to decide where to go for dinner or what attraction to visit the next day is not something that appealed to us. We appreciated we could be in the car and plan interesting side trips or where to stop for lunch in two minutes..opposed to the time and hassle stopping to look for and using public wifi or racking up outrageous international data charges on our smartphones. Overall...pleased with purchase and felt it was worth price we paid.

The good news is the bad news--there's a huge amount of detail. As a result, it can be difficult to scan the information. I did find the regional aspect helpful, but would have liked more general information and less specific information regarding hotels and restaurants. As with all travel guides, another challenge can be how quickly they go out of date. Given the resources available using the Internet and Smart Phones, travel guides need to rethink their purpose and content. I use them for armchair browsing but do my serious planning online.

Along with a guide on Quebec, this is the most interesting travel read I've picked up. It does not compile a list of every hotel and restaurant as many books do. Rather, the author provides highlights of the best places to hit. He also tells some interesting tales, such as the one about Oak Island and its buried treasure. I found myself in many cases wanting to know more and going online. Thanks to him I learned about a couple of ship wrecks I had not known about. The maps are localized and specific to the area he is discussing at the time which is very handy. It means I don't have to flip back and forth to a main map. Mr Orkin has broken down the sections to "Where to Eat", "History", and such. There are a number of colour photos in the middle of the book.

Excellent coverage of Nova Scotia which deserves a full guide to itself. So much to see and do there and David shared so many wonderful tips and history of the area. Loved it and highly recommend this book...and more people should discover Nova Scotia...a real gem that is not well-known enough to USA tourists.

I've looked at a lot of guide books on Nova Scotia, and this is by far the most informative of them all. Lots of detail, suggestions, and good maps. If you only buy one book for your trip to N.S., this should be it!

This guide did a good job of describing many of the small villages throughout Nova Scotia. the local background information I found particularly interesting. Based on our experience of the places visited, Orkin's write ups were reliable and on target. Restaurants and accommodation information was a bit thin. TripAdvisor was better at that.

Needs serious updating. This was the only guide I could find for this treasure of a place. The guide proved disappointing on several occasions due missing listings in several areas. Seems more geared to the camper. Our return trip by ferry from Yarmouth came about from the Internet not the

guide that predates the ferry service. The overall format could be spruced up to make finding places and how to get there easier. Nova Scotia is a great destination!

We had a general guide to the Atlantic provinces but since we planned on spending most of our trip in Nova Scotia, we bought this as our second guide. I like it because it is very detailed. So I consider this our main guide for the biggest part of our trip .

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