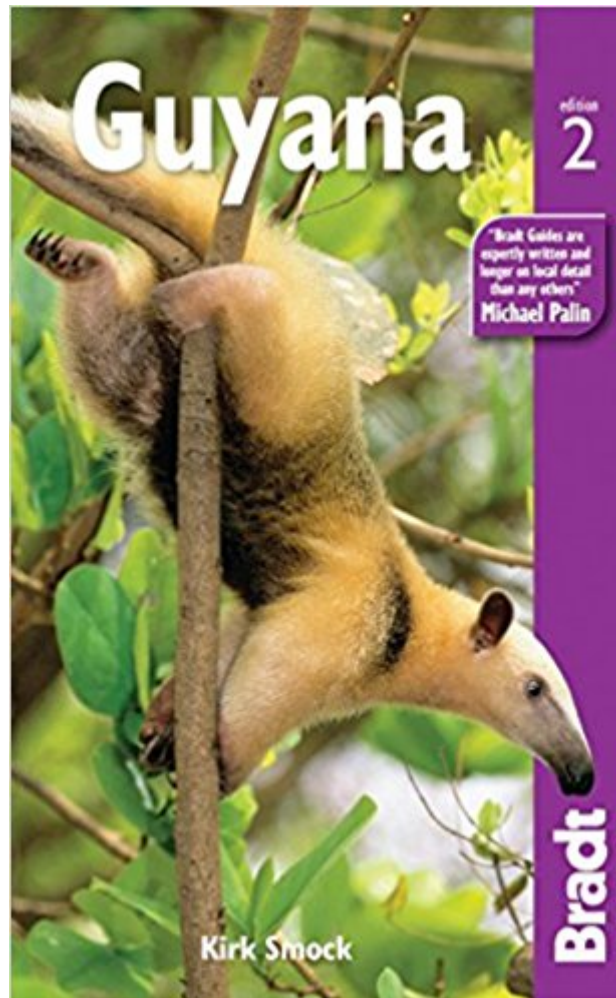




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Synopsis

Jungle-clad and teeming with exotic wildlife, Guyana is a South American secret begging to be told. With its unique geography of coastal waters, mangroves, marshes, savannas, mountains, and tropical rainforests, it's an ideal match for adventure seekers and wildlife enthusiasts. Explore the interior's waterways from a dugout canoe, swim alongside a black caiman—the world's largest alligator, take in Amerindian culture at Surama, or spot one of Guyana's 800-plus birds. Fully updated, Bradt's second edition of Guyana provides all the practical and background information necessary to get the most from your trip—whatever your budget or time constraint.

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“Your professionalism and dedication will be of considerable value to our country, and I will be using your book as part of our efforts to promote Guyana around the world. You can be very proud of your work, and on behalf of everyone in Guyana, I want to thank you.”
—Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana, January 18, 2008

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Excellent book for tourists and those who wish to explore Guyana. It's detailed with a lot of information about where to visit, history, where to eat, where to stay and much more. I've found it

useful on my journeys throughout this region. Highly recommended.

This is the first Bradt travel guide I have purchased and the standard is excellent, Better than any other travel guide I have purchased for any other country. The author writes very well, has actually lived in the place, and has taken the trouble to visit just about everywhere he describes. I purchased separately a map by another publisher and it was lousy and a waste of money. The maps in the Bradt guide are excellent and show every single place you might want to visit. A travel guide for Guyana can hardly be a great commercial proposition and Bradt are to be congratulated for taking such a brave decision.

I purchased this specific travel guide in preparation for a trip to Georgetown this summer (2008). I found it to be both educational, timely (January 2008 copyright date), authentic and insightful from the author's personal narrative and perspective about this unique South American country. I also wanted to add some of the perceived "typos" mentioned by the previous reviewer are possibly not really typos for those of British or European backgrounds, I believe it is how they form and spell specific word patterns in their country, for example...realised (European) in the USA is spelled "realized" or enquiry (European) in USA is spelled "inquiry" Callie Wilder

If you are going to Guyana, get this book. When you get to Guyana relax over a cappuccino and enjoy the lunch buffet at the Oasis, then get out of Georgetown and get into the interior. (Don't forget to bring steel leader if you plan on fishing, the piranha bite through regular leader like it wasn't even there).

This is a great book because it covers the history, tradition, food, biodiversity, among other things from Guyana. It is illustrated with maps, photographs and drawings. I liked this book because I am planning on traveling to Guyana and this guide helped me plan my trip. It even has a section with drawings for animal tracks that you might see in the forest. I recommend it

Ok

Just got back from Guyana, a broken country. Used Kirk's guide book, excellent coverage, but too charitable/not realistic enough about the country. Georgetown is a dump, but the guide dodges around this fact. This book was written in '07, but it doesn't seem much has changed in the last 4

years. (I notice an '011 edition is just out, btb.) Pretty indicative of the progress, or lack thereof, in this country. A few quibbles. If you go to Guyana, bring binoculars! Nowhere does Kirk mention this. Also, no advice at all on tipping. It would have been useful. And finally, I really don't know why the Canopy Walkway is so highly rated. Practically a waste of time. A stay at the IwoKrama Field Station is a thousand times better, as well as a stay at Rockview. Skip the canopy walkway unless that is going to be your only time in the rain forest.

This is the first guidebook that treats Guyana separately as a country, and is very well researched. There is no contest between this and other guidebooks -- the level of detail and coverage of the country is unmatched when compared to the Lonely Planet's "South America on a Shoestring", the only other guidebook I know that covers Guyana well. This book is a must have for anyone visiting or moving to Guyana. My only gripe with the book is that there is the occasional typo that can be annoying.

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