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Synopsis

Experience Iceland's amazing diversity and many attractions the way the locals do. Frommer's Iceland is a complete guide to everything Iceland has to offer, from cosmopolitan city Reykjavik to outdoor activities like taking a dip in natural thermal pools. No matter what your budget or interests, this guide will show you exactly how you can enjoy Iceland. Plan your trip with detailed maps, enjoy off the beaten path experiences, explore undiscovered gems.

Experience Iceland's amazing diversity, from soaking up the culture of Reykjavik to Summer Solstice festival. Outspoken opinions on what's worth your time and what's not. Exact prices, so you can plan the perfect trip whatever your budget. Off-the-beaten-path experiences and undiscovered gems, plus new takes on top attractions.

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Customer Reviews

View of the mountains from Reykjavik waterfront. See chapter 6. Detailed maps throughout Exact prices, directions, opening hours, and other practical information Candid reviews of hotels and restaurants, plus sights, shopping, and nightlife Itineraries, walking tours, and trip-planning ideas Insider tips from local expert authors

I brought this guide with me on a 3-week driving tour around Iceland's Ring Road. I'll admit the maps are not great. However, the descriptions and information are the best of any guidebook I bought. Honestly, I don't usually like Frommer, not for years. I usually go for BK. But this one is excellent...as long as you have a good map too. I got the Iceland Road Guide, plus a laminated

fold-out map (splurge--it rains a LOT in Iceland). The combo was unbeatable. I also got the Bradt, but didn't find it useful.

I've been using Frommers for 20 years of travels to foreign countries and major cities within the US. It's a great compilation of virtually every major site of interest as well as a few off-beat locations. I've not found another travel guide which is so complete or updated as frequently. I think the format - plain text, no pictures - allows Frommers to pack much more information into their guides than others. As Frommer's tends to focus on what to do, where to stay, and where to eat, it tends to be a little light on cultural background and history of the countries. I often buy a 2nd guide to cover this information - and picked up a copy of Insight Guides for this purpose on my recent trip to Iceland.

I used this Frommers Book and a Rough Guide to Iceland on a recent two week trip to Iceland. Frommers was far superior with great dining and sleeping recommendations. Their starred attractions were also very helpful in deciding which attractions to see. By following their advice we stayed in some fantastic locations and never had a bad meal from their dining recommendations. This book reinforces my preference for Frommers Travel Guides.

I was quite pleased with the book. I was trying to decide if we should fly Icelandair and do a stopover trip. I felt it gave a good idea of what to expect in terms of the area, the food, how to get about and how much things might cost us. I gave it four stars as I haven't actually used it in Iceland, but the information was much better (especially in not feeling overly optimistic about how great everything will be) than what I was finding online elsewhere. As far as the maps, I have a black and white Kindle and I have yet to find a travel guide with maps that are at all useful in that format. (Frommers, Rick Steves, Lonely Planet, Rough Guide, doesn't seem to matter). I just always expect to buy supplemental maps.

Needs to be updated

Appreciated the star rating of the sites. I agreed with most of them! Occasionally the info was outdated, like museum hours. My copy was 2011 and I traveled in 2013. I also liked the division into sections: western fjords, southern coast, etc. And having the detailed map of each section was nice. The book was the only map we had, and it worked okay. Awesome country! I'm going back.

I am a fan of Frommer's over other guide books. I used this extensively on my trip to Iceland- a country I simply adore. It was informative, useful and chock full of helpful hints and details. I will generally choose a Frommer's if available for my destination.

We took this with us on a trip to Iceland last week and it was useful, but not comprehensive. There are not many books about Iceland so this one was the best choice.

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