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Synopsis

Cadogan's half-Breton author takes the reader on a lovingly described tour of Brittany, through great cities and granite villages to dramatic headlands and isolated beaches. Full details of local markets and festivals encourage you to stray from the beaten track, while a section dedicated to the spellbinding Mont St-Michel gives a unique insight into this arresting ancient monument. Hand-picked, inviting places to stay and eat, easy-to-use maps, clear layout and rich cultural background detail combine with expert advice on everything from Neolithic ruins and old fortifications to Breton bagpipe music and delicious crêpes. Old Breton legends are interspersed with enticing descriptions of contemporary local life in a guide that is as revealing as it is reliable.

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Customer Reviews

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We took this book along on a two-week car circuit of Brittany. It reads easily and entertainingly; it was especially helpful before the trip, in giving us a sense of the place and helping us decide what we might want to see. The narrative approach was a little less helpful when we were actually there, on the road, needing a quick bit of information, but even so, there are a lot of specifics about small villages and out-of-the-way places that helped us see the "real" Brittany. There's a lot about the history and legends of the region that I did not find anywhere else.

This book provides details information to sights which are somewhat off the beaten track. Great background/historical information. Especially loved the detail of this book. The reader might be put off by the lack of color photos but the accurate and detailed text more than compensates. I would buy again. This book helped us get "into" Brittany.

The best source for touring Brittany, notwithstanding its age.

good book with plenty of detail.

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