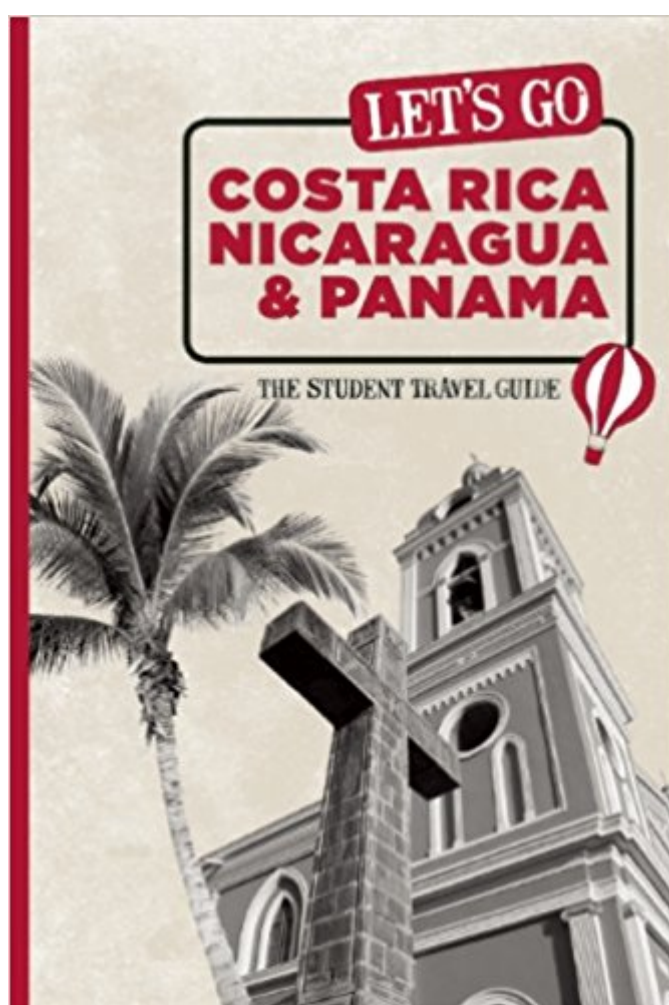


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We bought this book as after extensive travel around the world, we were a little fed up with Lonely Planet's patronising tone. We, however, made a big mistake! We found this book to be almost unusable by the end of our trip. Overall points as follows: Good:- Not patronising- If somewhere was not safe, it said so in plain English (e.g. it didn't call it rustic or something else in code words!)-

Light-weightBad:- Maps were terrible. In Lonely Planet, if a restaurant, hotel, bus station etc is mentioned, it is always labelled on the map. In this book it doesn't even give the address for lots of places so you know the name of the restaurant which is good but you have no idea how to get there!- It misses out destinations which are very much on the beaten track for the countries e.g. No mention of Manuel Antonio in Costa Rica or Boquete in Panama!- It sometimes talks about a destination but then doesn't list any accommodation- Lots of typos and incorrect page number references- Index is missing lots of information which is in the book- No clear markers on page to distinguish which country they are talking about- Overall entirely inconsistent from chapter to chapter

Book was outdated; accommodations listed were some of the worst I've ever been in.

This book is meant as a guide mostly for students who travel to Costa Rica, Nicaragua and Panama. It is not possible to cover three countries, no matter how small in size, in 326 pages. The book is not an exhaustive guide, but touches on the most useful information, and meant for the adventurous young people. Only the major tourist attractions are covered. Entries on each country has information on essential documents needed, embassies and consulates, tourist offices, transportation, border crossings, language and safety. Programs of studies by the host countries as well as United States are listed. Major areas of attractions, their histories, tourist and financial services, local services, emergency and communications, accommodations, food, sights, shopping, entertainment, nightlife, and other useful information are included. Written by Harvard university undergraduates, this book is for young people traveling out of a back-pack. It is not for the older traveler looking for comfort and luxury.

Good value.

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