

## Guides for Caribbean Travel

All there is to know about the vacation destination of your dreams is precisely what a Caribbean travel guide can provide. But are Caribbean travel guides really a blessing? Or are they simply patronizing resources designed for commercial purposes?

Well, they're a little of both in fact. After all, the people who publish Caribbean travel guides do need a source of income in order to continue to distribute their guides. But too much research has been put into these guides to merely dismiss them as useless resource material.

What else is more effective, informative and convenient than a Caribbean travel guide?

Of course, the Internet may prove more updated when it comes to information, but you can't carry the Internet everywhere. And believe it or not, it's always much more satisfying to pull out a Caribbean travel guide from your luggage, flip a few pages open, then slip it right back when you're tired of reading. It sure beats having to wait in the airport, sitting bored to tears and wondering whether your flight's going to be delayed.

That said; don't cling to travel guides dutifully. Many travelers make that error. They are not the sacred texts that they are made out to be by some people. You should be aware that published materials, including travel guides, are out of date the moment they are published, because by then, there would have been new updated facts that came up and it would be too late to include them.

So, how should you use Caribbean travel guides then? How would you know which information to believe and which pieces of information are outdated? Unfortunately, there is no precise answer to that. To get the most out of your Caribbean travel guide, use them in moderation for basic orientation. So once you have the basics mastered, go out there and discover the towns and cities on your own. That is, after all, the point of traveling # adventure and discovery of new things. At the very least, when all other signs appear foreign, the information on museums and places of interest are helpful.

However, when it comes to hotels and restaurants, everyone has their own taste and budget. Remember that deals rise in price with popularity, so there's every bit of chance that that hot new deal in your Caribbean travel guide isn't much of a good buy anymore, considering how pricey it has become. And then sometimes, too, the places fill up quickly with foreigners and travelers like you, so you can't always expect your Caribbean travel guide to point you in the right place all the time.

Then, if you do explore around on your own, you would surely find quality rooms with reasonable prices. They may be located in out-of-the-way places that Caribbean travel guide writers may not be aware of. Remember that because you are at the destination, you are in far better place to find what you want from of your vacation.

So in summary, don't be a sad type who writes to say that "it wasn't like what you said in the book." Here's a tip: Open your eyes and discover for yourself!