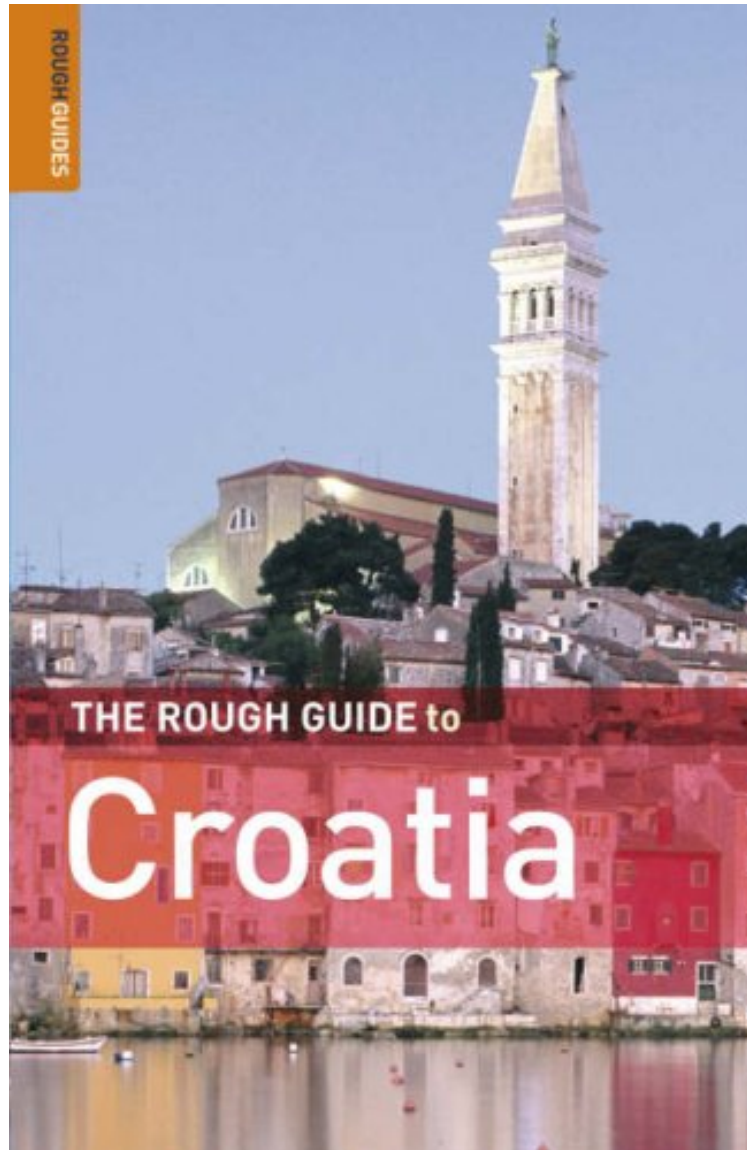


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Jonathan Bousfield : The Rough Guide to Croatia 3 (Rough Guide Travel Guides) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Rough Guide to Croatia 3 (Rough Guide Travel Guides):

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Comprehensive guide By Toby Scammell I used Rough Guide to Croatia side-by-side with Lonely Planet Croatia during May and June 2006. I only visited Southern and Central Dalmatia including Split, Hvar, and Dubrovnik. The Rough Guide was the more comprehensive of the two books with

a heavy emphasis on history, background, and context. It did a really good job of explaining what I was looking at, whereas LP usually gave very little of this information. But it was also less accurate when it came to logistics and directions, which made me happy I had the LP guide too. Pros: Better organized and more accessible than LP. Better city maps than LP on the whole--I would recommend using both though. More detail about islands around Dubrovnik. 200+ pages longer than LP. Did a decent job prioritizing things to see and places to go--but this section needs work. Cons: Some of the directions were pretty terrible and from a logistical standpoint LP was better. Lots of useless info if you're not into architecture, art, and very detailed history of every brick and cistern. Bottom line: A detailed, comprehensive guide but with just enough inaccuracies that I'd want LP as well.

With nearly 2000km of rocky, indented shore and more than 1000 islands, Croatia boasts one of the most dramatic stretches of coastline that Europe has to offer. The Rough Guide's 24 page full-colour section introduces the author's highlights, from the medieval city of Dubrovnik to the rural hinterland of Zagreb, to the unspoilt island of Vis and the beaches of the Dalmatian coast. Throughout, there are discerning reviews of all the best places to stay, eat and drink - to suit any pocket. Whilst not well known as a destination for adventure tourism, there are plenty of opportunities for hiking in the hills of the interior or scuba-diving in the Adriatic and the guide includes detailed practical advice. Finally, the Contexts section provides an authoritative background on Croatia's history, folk music and literature.

About the Author Jonathan Bousfield first took his bucket and spade to the Adriatic coast in 1975, and has been making regular visits to Croatia ever since. He is author of the Rough Guide to the Baltic States and co-author of Rough Guides to Bulgaria, Poland and Austria.