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Darren (Norm) Longley; Rough Guides : The Rough Guide to Montenegro 1 (Rough Guide Travel Guides) by Darren (Norm) Longley (2009-03-30) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Rough Guide to Montenegro 1 (Rough Guide Travel Guides) by Darren (Norm) Longley (2009-03-30):

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Good, but not greatBy dkobozevI bought this guidebook for a first-time trip to Montenegrin coast. I cannot guarantee that this review will apply to the sections covering the rest of the country, but I hope it will give a good idea about what to expect from the guide. PROS: * Includes what you would expect from a guidebook: a short section on the country's basics (getting there, getting around, food and drink etc), decent maps and descriptions of local attractions. * Does not assume much about the traveler's interests or budget - tries to be useful whether you like hiking or spending time quietly on the beach. * Lists entrance fees to museums and similar places. CONS: * The chances are you will discover most of the things in the guidebook yourself - it will not tell you any secrets. During my 10-day stay in Kotor I was able to discover (among other things): a great hiking trail right from Kotor; that pretty much all restaurants and cafes have roughly the same menu and same prices and if you like something different, you should try hotel restaurants; that souvenir shops are also pretty much the same except for one or two artsy ceramic shops. None of these things are mentioned in the guide. * The literary style is too annoying for my taste. You might beg to differ if you would like your guidebook to tell you that St. Tryphon's Cathedral's "sumptuous,

light-filled interior is distinguished by neat columns of robust, reddish-brown pillars, a fine stone rib-vaulted ceiling and a high Gothic-style window arches". I'd rather have mine tell me where I could find the catalog of items in the cathedral's treasury - they all had numbers, but no descriptions.* Listings of accommodations and places to eat are incomplete, lack ratings and price ranges. To summarize, this is a run-of-the-mill guide that will come handy a couple of times during your trip, but don't expect too much from it. 7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Good guide to an amazing travel destination By N. Zhu For a while now, the Bradt guide was the only choice (in English anyway) for a guidebook to Montenegro. While some of the Bradt guides are quite good (Albania, Macedonia, and Bosnia among them), the Montenegro one is not. Good thing Rough Guide has now come out with their guide to Montenegro. (Lonely Planet has come out with a guide at about the same time, a sign that more and more travelers are discovering Montenegro.) As usual for Rough Guide, this is a very well-written and solidly researched book. Listings are well-chosen: most of the better hotels and restaurants I know for Montenegro are in here. I haven't compared this to the Lonely Planet, but the Rough Guide is clearly superior to the Bradt. As for the country, though it's a bit out of the way, it does boast some of the most stunning coastal and mountain scenery anywhere in Europe (combined to glorious effect in the Bay of Kotor). Prices are not cheap (they've adopted the Euro), but it's still a bit more affordable than Croatia, with fewer crowds. Accommodations are not always up to the standards of other places in Europe, in terms of choice and value for money, and in the interior parts the food can be distinctly monotonous. That said, some of the best fish restaurants I've ever experienced are in Montenegro (particularly the one in Morinj), and for those willing to splurge a bit there are some very fine hotels. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By always learninggreat