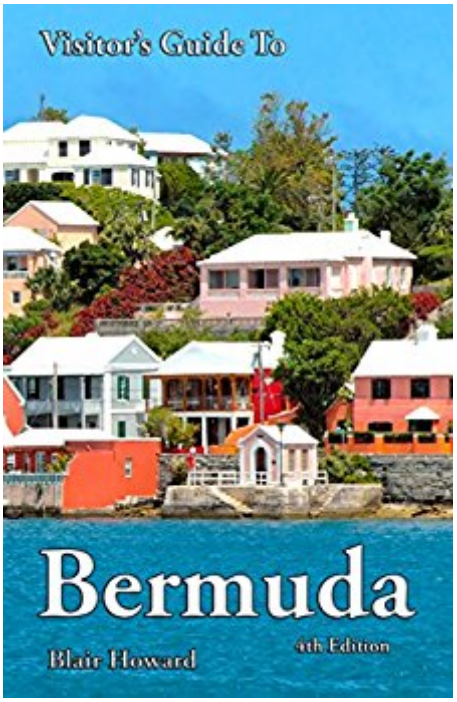
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Synopsis

This is the July 7, 2014, 4th edition of the VisitorÃ¢ ¬â„¢s Guide to Bermuda. It has been updated as of July 7, and is always updated very quickly when I learn of new or outdated information. New photos have been added and the maps have been enlarged for better viewing. But there's more: if you purchase the paperback edition of the book, you get the Kindle edition for free. So, if youÃ¢ ¬â„¢re planning a visit to Bermuda, or if youÃ¢ ¬â„¢ve booked a cruise to the island, youÃ¢ ¬â„¢ll find this book a valuable resource. Within these pages you'll find all the In-depth information you'll need about Bermuda to make your trip a success, including: Things to do in BermudaWhere to Stay Ã¢ ¬â œ Resorts, Small Hotels, Guest Houses and Self-Catering CottagesHow to get Around BermudaBermudaÃ¢ ¬â„¢s Beaches and ParksHiking - and the Bermuda Railway TrailFishing, Boating and SnorkelingScuba Diving, including detailed shipwreck infoTouring the Island Parish by ParishPractical Visitor InformationAnd Much MoreBermuda is a magical island, a quite world of pastel-colored buildings with snowy-white roofs, emerald waters and pink, sandy beaches. I fell in love with Bermuda more than 25 years ago, and I can still remember the first time I set foot upon the island. I also remember that first flight in over the reef: the turquoise blue of the deep ocean, the emerald shallows, and then the verdant greens, pastel colors and glistening whites on the islands proper. Magical does not describe that first glimpse of Bermuda from the air.ThereÃ¢ ¬â„¢s something very special about this little group of islands. IÃ¢ ¬â„¢ve lost count of the number of times IÃ¢ ¬â„¢ve visited the Bermuda; itÃ¢ ¬â„¢s addictive, an experience youÃ¢ ¬â„¢ll never forget, and IÃ¢ ¬â„¢ve been writing about it for as long as I can remember. Whether itÃ¢ ¬â„¢s the combination of the English culture and its sub-tropical setting, or something else, Bermuda is, in my opinion, one of the most beautiful places on Earth.Bermuda, one of the worldÃ¢ ¬â„¢s smallest countries, is a tiny world with a tiny capital city, Hamilton, and shops, churches and cafes on narrow streets that might well have been plucked from any one of a hundred little English towns. The old-world cathedral, the bright red British pillar boxes (post boxes), and the food, especially afternoon tea - an almost religious experience in Bermuda - all seem to make Bermuda even more British than England itself. Nowhere in England, however, will you find anything that can compare to the pink sandy beaches, the crystal ocean waters, or the beautiful island terrain. You have to see it to believe it. Today, the island of Bermuda welcomes visitors from around the world, and it will welcome you too. You can spend a week, or two, or more, at one of the expensive luxury resort hotels, or perhaps one of small cottage colonies; or you can choose to stay at one of a hundred neat little bed & breakfast homes, guest houses or all-inclusive hotels, or you might like to choose from one of the many self-catering options. Just about every budget is catered

for, and youÃ¢â ¬â„¢re sure to find something to suit your taste, and your wallet. You can do six nights, seven days on the islands for as little as $1,250 U.S. per person, or you can pay that much, or more, per night. Whatever your budget, youÃ¢â ¬â„¢re sure of a wonderful experience.One more thing before I leave you to read on: should you find out of date information herein (and you probably will, because nothing stays the same for very long),I would appreciate the opportunity to update it. You should also know that I do not have any control over the size of the photographs or maps; this controlled by as part of their formatting for the devices. So, rather than putting a negative review on , please send me an email explaining what needs to be updated and I will do it immediately - the same day I get it. You can send me an email at blair@blairhoward.com. Thank you, and enjoy.

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Customer Reviews

This is a very informative book about Bermuda. I like how it included places the locals like that a lot of tourists aren’t aware of. However, as I planned my trip and started looking up the attractions I was interested in, I found that some had closed down or no longer existed. For example the Natural Arches were destroyed by a hurricane. The Leamington caves are no longer open to the public, and

the Plantation restaurant has closed down. Great starting point but double check to make sure the things you want to do are still there.

This guide book was very helpful and concise. The author did a great job of breaking down the parishes so that we always knew what to do and where we were going. It was very informative of the customs of the Bermudians, and how to prepare for our vacation. And it is available for kindle!!

This was great info about getting around and staying in Bermuda. Organized and easy to navigate for specific island information.

Very helpful on my recent cruise.

I was disappointed that the pictures of Burmuda were not in color in the book; however, I had the book downloaded to my kindle and they were in color.

Outdated but who can complain since it was free. Don’t depend 100% on this guide.

This is a very good, lightweight overview of Bermuda and will come in very handy for first time and repeat visitors. Those seeking information on beaches, golf and diving will find it very helpful as the author goes into great details on those topics. While there is some background, particularly on the early "explorers" (accidental, it seems, due to the propensity of sailing vessels to become stranded there), there is not a whole lot of in-depth back story of the islands. I would have liked to learn more of the native settlers (where they came from), how they managed to eke out an existence on a somewhat hostile land, what provoked more Europeans to come there to live, etc etc. More photos, in color, would have been nice. But I suppose there are other books that would highlight more of the historical aspects I am seeking.As a reference guide, it is very well written and you can tell how much the author enjoys this destination. I appreciated the "homey" style in which it is written, much like a nice long letter one would have written back in the day when travelers on holiday wrote to their friends and family back home. I like that his "two cents" is offered, particularly with regard to restaurants and accommodations.The only other negatives I have (besides the lack of color photos) are: Not ONE page in my copy of the book has a page number printed on it! There is a table of contents with page numbers listed, but leafing through the book = no page numbers at all! (fortunately it’s a slim enough book that you can eventually find what you’re looking for) The other is

that it’s loaded with typos. Apparently the "percent" symbol was not available on whatever keyboard was used to type this; no where does it appear (one example: when stating the population, it gave a breakdown of white versus black, and the percentage symbol failed to print but I understood what it meant; there were several other instances where " % " was missing but, again, I understood) Date issues: A date of 1503 is given for Juan Bermudez’s arrival there then went on to say that "six years later....." and the date of 1609 is given. So, which is it? Was 1503 supposed to be 1603 or was 1609 supposed to be 1509? There is also a number of misspelled words that could have easily been caught by spell-check or more thorough proof read.Overall, I gave it 4 stars because 3.5 wasn’t an available option. It’s helpful and informative and written by someone who obviously loves visiting Bermuda and loves sharing it. If you want a quick reference guide, you will find this a good choice (and you can easily number the pages if your copy needs it!) If you want much more in-depth history, background, flora/fauna, you will do better with a different book as this one merely scratches those surfaces - enough to satisfy the average tourist. It’s also light enough to easily tuck into your carry-on bag so you can travel with it.

The Visitor’s Guide to Bermuda is a solid, concise and informative handbook for a trip to Bermuda. The author’s passions comes through, especially when it comes to golf, dining, sight seeing and diving.What struck me out of the gate:"Bermuda is not a single island at all, but a great, fishhook-shaped atoll of more than 180 small islands ..."An amazing place, no doubt.The photos are color, many of them brilliantly so,and taken from a photographer’s POV.There are chapters on the history and economy as well.A must for anyone headed to the island -- well -- islands!

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