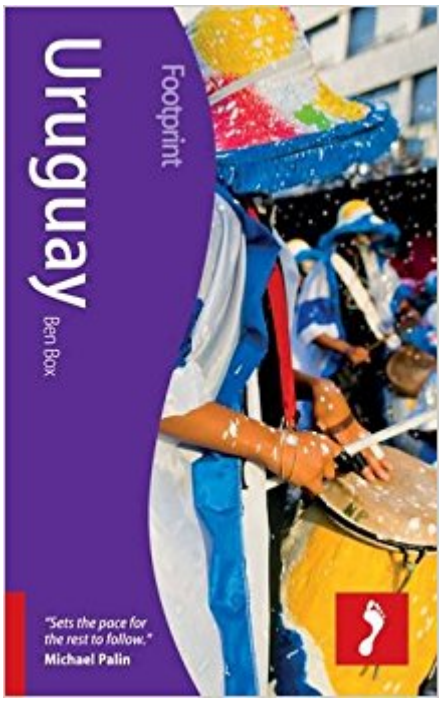
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This book expressly admits that it is simply an excerpt from Footprint's much larger book on South America. The only good thing about the Focus book is that it fits easily in your pocket, unlike Footprint's monster book.In retrospect, I suspect that it would have been more cost-effective to simply photocopy relevant pages from the big book from which the Focus book's content was drawn. Most of the content is so terse as to be useless. If I had relied solely on this garbage for planning my vacation I would have been in big, big trouble. (Fortunately I am a good researcher.)The basic problem is that Footprint needs to either scale up their big book to do justice to the continent it purportedly covers, or drastically expand the books in the Focus series and then condense their content for the big South America book. (The latter approach is the one taken by many other publishers including Frommer's and Fodor's.)

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