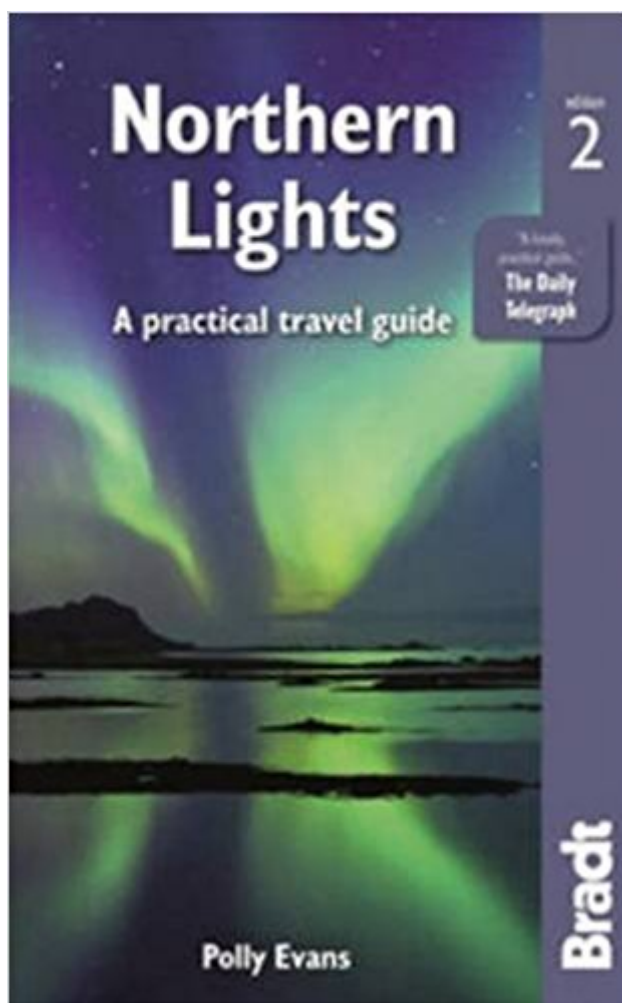


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Northern Lights: A Practical Travel Guide (Bradt Travel Guide)



Synopsis

An updated second edition of Bradt's practical guide to the best places to view the Northern Lights. The Northern Lights are one of the world's most spectacular natural phenomena, arguably the greatest light show you'll ever see. They are also one of the major tourist draws of the Arctic and sub-Arctic winter. This book covers information on everything from how to photograph the aurora to what to wear, and how to understand northern lights forecasting, as well as the science behind the aurora and the auroral oval. It also details the best locations from which the aurora can be viewed, covering, in Europe, Scandinavia, Lapland, Iceland and Greenland. New for this second edition is coverage of viewing points in Canada and Alaska. In addition, the guide provides information on tour operators offering northern lights packages. Bradt's Northern Lights is the only guidebook that caters to the large number of people whose dream is to see the aurora borealis.

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Customer Reviews

Northern Lights is a handy practical guide. (The Daily Telegraph) Bradt has published the first-ever Northern Lights travel guide, which answers those how, what, where and when questions posed by travellers in search of the dazzling atmospheric phenomenon. (TNT Magazine) Northern Lights gives some good advice on the best countries and destinations from which to view the aurora borealis and there are good tips on what you should wear. (Sky at Night)

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well as five narrative travel books, including *Mad Dogs* and *An Englishwoman*, in which she tells of learning to drive sled dogs in northern Canada. When not on the road, Polly works as a teacher at Wellington College in England.

My expectations for the book were likely too high, but, nonetheless, I didn't feel the book really provided that much useful information. If you're just starting your research for a trip, then it might be useful, but if you've done any digging already, you'll likely find that the information in the book is so high-level that it ceases to be very useful for real planning. It's a short book with about 10 pages dedicated to actual locations to see the northern lights; I had hoped for more specifics - not just go to the Lofoten Islands in Norway, but if certain towns, beaches, etc. are more accessible than others in winter for viewing. It touches on few specifics. Other information, such as history, other activities, etc., while interesting, is really just filler, and again, gives little more than an idea that you'll need to go to other sources to learn what you really need to know.

I enjoyed the material and hope that their packing tips will stand me in good stead, but it was much shorter than anticipated. The concise explanation of the aurora borealis was well done.

I'm taking a trip to Sarriselka Finland in the winter and I'm hoping to see the Northern Lights. I wanted a little information about the phenomenon and this book is perfect!

This book contains very rudimentary information not worth the money. There not much guidance as to go around to travel places where one could see the Aurora.

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Some solid, practical advice for viewing the Northern Lights.

Seeing the Northern Lights is a "bucket list" item for me. This book gives a lot of info on places to go where you can see them. Unfortunately the only part of the world NOT covered is eastern Canada. Since I live near Washington DC traveling to the places mentioned is a really expensive journey. It would have been nice if the author could have provided some info on eastern Canada since this would be a less expensive trip. If anyone has info I would love to hear from you.

As advertised. Very informative.

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