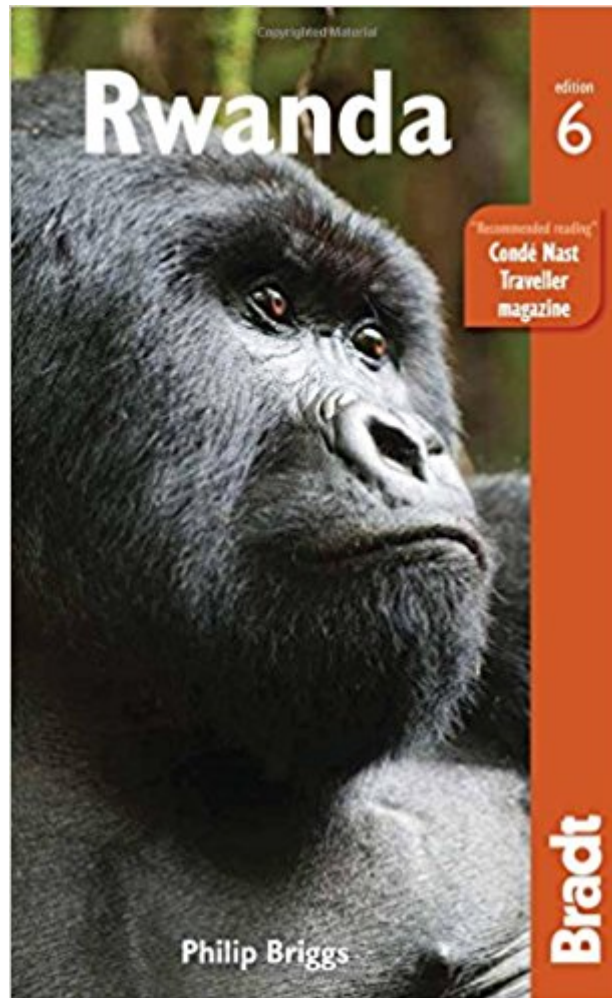




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Synopsis

Entering its sixth edition, the Bradt guide to Rwanda continues to provide the most comprehensive coverage of any English-language guidebook on the market. Bradt Rwanda has long been the go-to guide for visitors to this historical and resurgent land of a thousand hills, and it continues to be in a class of its own when it comes to in-depth information on this emerald slice of Central Africa. With freshly researched and updated information on developments across the country, this new edition includes information on the ongoing revival & repopulation of Akagera National Park, up-to-date maps of rapidly modernising Kigali, and the latest on excursions into the neighbouring DRC. Written in an engaging and colourful style, Bradt's Rwanda is packed with personal anecdotes of people and places met across the country. With an emphasis on eco-tourism, there is a dedicated chapter to each of the national parks outlining all the practicalities: how to get there; how to obtain a permit; where to spot wildlife; how to identify flora; and how to identify the best trips offered by tour operators. The land of a thousand hills comes with surprises over every ridge; trek the dew-laden forests searching for mountain gorillas, swim on the dramatic shores of Lake Kivu, and stop to contemplate the despair from which this country has so magnificently risen at one of the poignant genocide memorials. There is much to see besides gorillas: the mountain-ringed inland sea; the immense Nyungwe Forest National Park with its chimpanzees, monkeys, and rare birds; the wild savannah of Akagera National Park; and, perhaps above all, the endless succession of steep cultivated mountains.

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The excellent Bradt Guide to Rwanda includes detailed sections on the national parks. (The Sunday Telegraph) Rwanda is excellent; it captures the mood of the place and gives a positive and accurate account of a fantastic country (Art of Travel) This guide . gives the prospective visitor real and detailed insights into the country, its people, history, flora and fauna. Even if you end up never going to Rwanda, you will feel you know the place quite intimately by the time you get to the final page. (Wildside) At last, a well-written and dedicated guide to Rwanda. (Footprints) Rwanda is an excellent book that I have recommended to all the visitors who come to Rwanda. This guide presents a clear and balanced overview of events in Rwanda's recent past. The book also describes the charm and attraction that make this country so different. (Dr Annette Lanjouw, Director of the International Gorilla Conservation Programme) Recommended reading. (Conde Nast Traveller Magazine)

Philip Briggs is the world's leading writer of guidebooks to and about Africa. He has been exploring the continent for 30 years. This edition has been updated by Sean Connolly. Raised in Chicago and educated in New York, Sean is a full-time culture fiend (read: anthropology graduate) and stays on the move whenever possible. He has been an English teacher in Somaliland, a student in Ghana, a writer in Mozambique, and a backpacker across much of the African continent.

great book!

Excellent guide.

Comprehensive and very well done - just returned from a trip to Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of Congo. This guide was extremely useful, updated and with the clear, practical eye of an Africa expert. I'm a long time, well traveled user of Rough Guide and Lonely Planet but the on the ground knowledge that was very necessary for Congo and could make or break my trip will move me over to these guides. The guide is geared for tourism, so only the border area of Congo is covered (Virunga National Park, Kahuzi-Biega, Goma, Bukavu) as other parts of Congo are generally off limits for tourism. I rarely if ever review on given the volume of stuff I get - but this guide deserves the effort and praise. Highly recommended.

Very helpful for our trip to Rwanda.

I used the Ethiopia and Rwanda Bradt guides for my recent trip to East Africa. I honestly had not

seen a Bradt guide for years before this, but I was pretty impressed by the level of detail and important "good to know" information that can make or break a trip, especially history and culture. If you are going to spend your time on a basic short itinerary like a Kigali city tour and gorilla trekking, I would not bother with this guide - you won't need it! However, if you are planning to get a more detailed feel for Kigali (different walks and markets are described) or really get out of the city to visit places like genocide churches or Lake Kivu, then this guide will be useful, because internet resources for Rwanda travel are terrible - this print guide is essential for both planning and taking on the road. One piece of advice was odd - it said a flight booking might get cancelled/bumped if you don't confirm it with an agent/airline a few days before. I asked a handful of people about this and they said it was unnecessary.

I am starting to find less and less use of these books :(

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