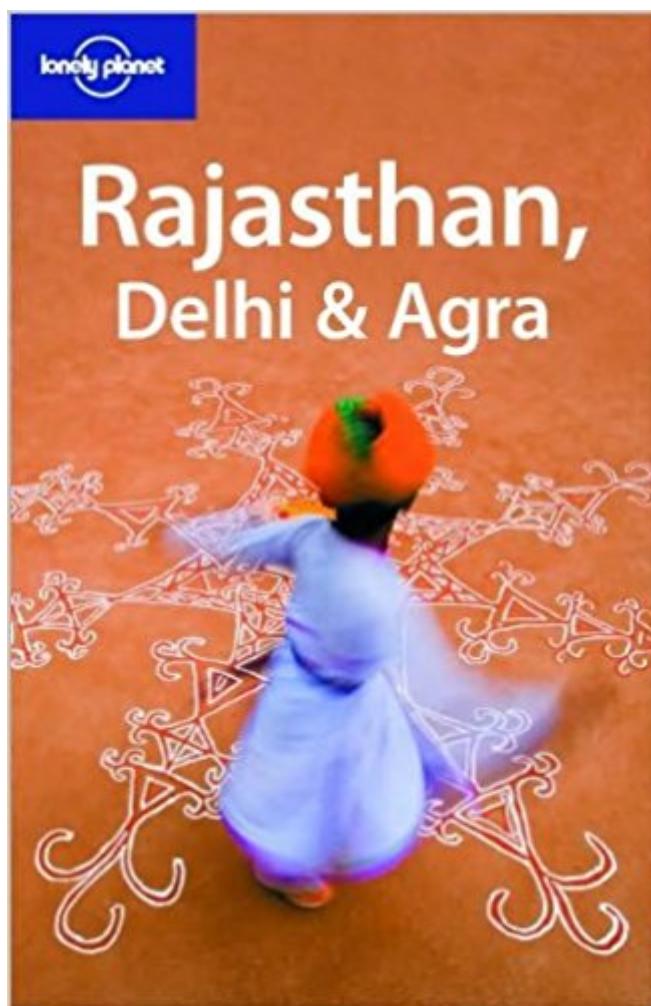


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A former conservation biologist and Publishing Manager of Outdoor Activity Guides at Lonely Planet, Lindsay enjoys nothing more than heading into the outback to explore and photograph Australia's heartland. As a Lonely Planet author and photographer Lindsay has contributed to several titles covering South Asia and Australia. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I've been using Lonely Planet guides for years now and I know they are hit or miss. This one is definitely a miss. After a weekend trip to Agra, my best guess is that the authors haven't updated the information in this edition since it was first printed. The mid-range hotels that they said were good had definitely seen much better days and the restaurant recommendations were banal at best. The Rough Guide India has much better maps and a lot more information about each sight. Plus, and this may just be my pet peeve, I do wish that Lonely Planet would stop lecturing their readers! I do not need to be told to not take the paper shoe covers at the Taj Mahal in order to help save the environment. Seriously, perhaps not buying guidebooks would help the environment more.

Does a great job introducing the first timers to the strange and incredible place Rajasthan is. Has some great itinerary ideas and does an amazing job in briefing about the many different cities and towns in the region. I very much preferred planning my trip using it as opposed to trying getting online all the time and checking out places on Tripadvisor. A couple of improvements could be:- a more updated version for restaurant tips. - more walking itinerary ideas. But overall, I was really happy with it.

I used this book for my recent trip to Jaipur, Agra, and Delhi and it worked fairly well. It was especially helpful for Jaipur with the walking tour of the city however I'm not sure how up-to-date the restaurant descriptions were because we found some inaccuracies. As an example there was a restaurant in Jaipur that the book said had mughlai but it wasn't on the menu when we went to the place. The book also noted a bar that had since closed when we found its former location. Other than the restaurant suggestions, though, the book was accurate. It's a good book to get an understanding of where you're going and what you want to see.

I ended up bringing this and a much heavier, more comprehensive India guidebook in case I made it elsewhere in India, but this was all I needed for exploring Delhi and Rajasthan. It's short on pictures, but the information was accurate and provided good cultural background on what I was seeing. I'd recommend it to anyone traveling through the Golden Triangle. It's much lighter to carry around in a backpack than an entire India guidebook and goes into much more detail, to boot.

This was very helpful as we were only traveling to a partial region of India and didn't want to carry around the entire India guidebook. We used the 2011 version, so while some of the suggestions of places to eat were helpful, others seemed like they had fallen into disrepair since. Overall though,

this was a great help in navigating our way through. We used the information constantly and found it to be mostly accurate.

This edition was published in 2011 and a lot has changed since then, especially in a fast-developing country such as India. Many of the entry costs, for example, have tripled or even quintupled! Otherwise, this guide isn't bad, but it's definitely time for a new edition.

I went to India for the first time and am very glad I had this guide. I had purchased two guides through and the other was inaccurate and worse than useless. This guide was practical and reliable and helped make this trip magical.

Lots of useful info, but the type is way too small, and the paper too thin, meaning you see through it to the other side's type. Please make the pages easier to read and the book easier to use!

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