

# **An Ecotourists Guide To The Everglades And The Florida Keys**

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## **Costa Rica: The Complete Guide**

Using a wealth of international case studies and photos, *Ecotourism: An Introduction* provides an accessible and comprehensive introduction to the key foundations, concepts and issues related to Ecotourism, the fastest growing segment of the global tourism industry. Among the topics covered are: \* the foundations of ecotourism \* tourism and ecotourism policy \* the economics, marketing and management of ecotourism \* the social and ecological impacts of tourism \* ecotourism and development \* the role of ethics in ecotourism The book includes case studies from Scotland, Austria, the USA, Canada, Mexico and Australia.

## **Ecotourism's Promise and Peril**

Ecotourism is defined as responsible travel in natural areas which conserves the environment and improves the welfare of local people. This book presents case studies of seven destinations that serve to illustrate the real world of ecotourism. It examines ecotourism's feasibility for economic development and environmental protection in developing countries and takes a look at the promise and pitfalls of ecotourism.

## **Quality Assurance and Certification in Ecotourism**

An uplifting and empowering guide to earth-friendly

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travel by the author of The Eco-Design Handbook counsels readers on how to minimize the daily impact of commuting on the planet, profiles two hundred ideas for eco-travel vacations, and identifies travel products from hybrid cars to green clothing and equipment.

## **The Eco-travel Guide**

### **Exploring Everglades National Park and the Surrounding Area**

#### **Ecotourism**

Focusing on an array of economic, social and ecological inconsistencies that continue to plague ecotourism in theory and practice, this book examines ecotourism in reference to other related forms of tourism, impacts, conservation, sustainability, education and interpretation, policy and governance, and the ethical imperative of ecotourism as these apply to the world's greenest form of tourism. This revised edition includes: new information on the magnitude of the tourism industry, nature-based tourism and the pros and cons of mass ecotourism revised chapters on development, economics, marketing, policy, ecotourism in practice and biodiversity conservation a section on governance models, ecotourism programmes, operators and guides, interpretation, certification, and ecolodge design a discussion of ecotourism as an ethical or

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responsible form of tourism approximately 300 new references. It includes case studies and considers the perspectives of many adjacent fields, including geography, economics, business, philosophy, biology, and environmental studies.

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### **Wallops Flight Facility Shoreline Restoration and Infrastructure Protection Program**

### **The Ecotourist's Guide to the Ecuadorian Amazon**

The Encyclopedia of Ecotourism provides an expert, state-of-the-art and comprehensive knowledge base of the rapidly growing global ecotourism sector. It is divided into eight major sections, and contains 41 chapters, individually authored by international researchers and practitioners in ecotourism. Each chapter combines theory and practice in a complementary way. The scope of the encyclopedia includes definitions and other contextual material, regional perspectives, venues, impacts, planning and management considerations, and issues associated with ecotourism businesses, research and training.

## **Effecting Positive Change through Ecotourism**

Ecotourism (and the closely related nature-based tourism) is a booming segment of the broader tourism industry. There are a lot of people who have 'great ideas' for starting an ecotourism business at their special rainforest / beach / waterway / outback site, or in their region or shire. ECORAM has been developed to help people with limited or no specialist tourism knowledge to better understand the potential of their ecotourism business idea.

## **Reptiles and Amphibians of the Amazon**

### **Ecotourism and Sustainable Tourism**

Ecotourism and natural resource extraction may be seen as contradictory pursuits, yet in reality they often take place side by side, sometimes even supported by the same institutions. Existing academic and policy literatures generally overlook the phenomenon of ecotourism in areas concurrently affected by extraction industries, but such a scenario is in fact increasingly common in resource-rich developing nations. This edited volume conceptualises and empirically analyses the 'ecotourism-extraction nexus' within the context of broader rural and livelihood changes in the places where these activities occur. The volume's central premise is that these seemingly contradictory activities are empirically and conceptually more alike

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than often imagined, and that they share common ground in ethnographic lived experiences in rural settings and broader political economic structures of power and control. The book offers theoretical reflections on why ecotourism and natural resource extraction are systematically decoupled, and epistemologically and analytically re-links them through ethnographic case studies drawing on research from around the world. It should be of interest to students and professionals engaged in the disciplines of geography, anthropology and development studies.

### **Romancing the Wild**

This publication, intended as a preparatory document for the World Ecotourism Summit in Quebec, 2002, reviews the current status and trends in ecotourism globally, the challenges ahead and the lessons learned in over 15 years of ecotourism development involving a broad range of stakeholders. The document incorporates comments and suggestions from recognized academics, NGO representatives and inter-governmental agencies such as WTO, IUCN and UNEP. It provides an overview of the history and current thinking on what constitutes ecotourism, what constitutes an ecotourism experience and considers the components of successful ecotourism. The author considers the roles of various stakeholders: industry, both in originating and destination countries, NGOs, communities, women, government, development agencies and researchers. The document ends with a useful list of resource documents and organizations.

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## **Ecotourism**

Explores the impact of mainstream tourism and the potential positive social and environmental benefits of ecotourism.

## **Developing Ecotourism**

Drawing on case studies from Pacific Islands, Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia, this book examines ecotourism enterprises controlled by indigenous people in tribal reserves or protected areas. It compares indigenous ecotourism in developed and developing countries and covers cultural ecotours, ecolodges, and bungalows, hunting and fishing tours, cultural attractions and other nature-based facilities or services.

## **Perceptions of Ecotourism**

"As essential as sunscreen and a must-have for anyone visiting or living in South Florida."--Mac Stone, author of *Everglades: America's Wetland* "An alluring snapshot, capturing the regions' fun side with fishing, fantasy, food, and an overall funky feel."--Mary Barley, chair, Everglades Trust "Delivers all of the hidden and not-so-hidden gems that even the most discerning traveler needs to have for a true national park experience in South Florida, combining the ever-evolving story of the unique and amazing Everglades ecosystem with the must-do's for every visitor."-- John Adornato, Sun Coast Regional Director, National Parks Conservation Association "More than just a

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guidebook: it's a warm, inviting exploration of South Florida's natural beauty and history."--Laura Albritton, author of Miami for Families: A Vacation Guide for Parents and Kids "Shows readers how to experience natural beauty in places they would never find on their own--and makes the workings of this complicated ecosystem easy to understand."--Daniel Burkhardt, editor of Florida Bay Forever: A Story of Water from the Everglades to the Keys Packed with adventure and a local's expert advice, this guide is essential reading for a fun-filled trip through the world's most famous wetland, the Everglades, and the spectacular marine environment of the 130-mile island chain formed by the Florida Keys. From the Ten Thousand Islands to Big Cypress, the Everglades, and the Florida Keys, Silk stops through alluring locales, such as a mysterious Coral Castle in the Redland/Homestead area, and the exceptional waterside campgrounds of Biscayne National Park. Silk's tour of the region even features an eerie Cold War-era missile base deep in Everglades National Park. Awe-inspiring boardwalks, paddles through mangroves, dives to imperiled reefs, a ride on the famous African Queen boat from the eponymous Bogart and Hepburn movie, and a sampling of the scenic and quirky attraction of Key West complete Silk's journey. Along the way, the reader will learn about local history and culture and discover some of the eclectic, locally owned restaurants, watering holes, and attractions that possess the charming Old Florida character.

### **A Trip Too Far**

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What is ecotourism? - Working in and with the local environment - Starting and managing a tourist business.

## **Ecoram (Ecotourism Rapid Assessment Model)**

"The Bartlett's provide a convenient identification guide and reference manual for the reptiles and amphibians most likely to be encountered by visitors to the Amazon basin. It will be of great interest to ecotourists and herpetological hobbyists, and the basic natural history information will be useful to professional biologists who are not specialists in the taxa covered in the book."--Paul E. Moler, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

Though travel to the Amazon Basin once was accessible only to the most intrepid explorer, today the region is a popular destination for scores of ecotourists, visitors who are likely to observe 50 species of reptiles and amphibians in just a weeklong trip. Until publication of this illustrated field guide, no book has been available to help identify these delightful, stunning, and sometimes venomous creatures. This handbook offers a colorful, easy-to-use guide to more than 250 of the snakes, lizards, turtles, frogs, and salamanders common to the Amazonian regions of Peru, Brazil, Bolivia, and Colombia. From brightly colored frogs so small they fit on a thumbnail to large poisonous snakes camouflaged by green and brown patterned skin, it features all the more frequently seen species as well as types that are less common, and it also provides basic natural history information. Clear close-

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up photos accompany text that describes appearance, range, size, and color and lists similar species. For many years the authors have led tours to the rainforest. They travel remote rivers on small boats, bunk in tents pitched on sleeping platforms, and walk seldom-trodden trails, usually finding a herpetologic species new to them on each trip. At times, they were hard-pressed to identify the species they photographed; their fellow travelers have found the task even more difficult. For those who want to attach names and information to their natural surroundings, this new field guide will open up the beautiful and mysterious world of herpetofauna. In addition, students of rainforest ecology will find useful information about the infinite variety of rainforest adaptations, and hobbyists will appreciate hard-to-find information about imported specimens. R.D. Bartlett is the author of many books, including *In Search of Reptiles and Amphibians* and *Popular Boas and Pythons*, and has published more than 500 articles about herpetology in such magazines as *Tropical Fish Hobbyist*, *Reptiles*, and *Reptile and Amphibian*. Patricia Bartlett is the coauthor with R.D. Bartlett of numerous books, including *A Field Guide to Florida Reptiles and Amphibians*. Together they have led herpetology photography tours to many areas of the Amazon Basin.

## **Tourism, Ecotourism, and Protected Areas**

### **Ecotourism and Sustainable**

## **Development**

The Business of Ecotourism provides sound advice on building and sustaining your ecotourism business during good and bad economic times. Balance nature and profit while maintaining integrity in the industry.

## **An Ecotourist's Guide to the Everglades and the Florida Keys**

There is an increased interest in ecotourism and sustainable tourism, which provides travelers with destinations and activities that have a lower negative impact on the environment. This book, a collection of articles and studies highlight many of these new trends in tourism, using examples from many different regions of the world, including the coast of Georgia and the rainforests in Nigeria. It looks at nature-based tourism, community participation in local ecological tourism, ecological sports tourism, and much more.

## **Ecotourism Guidelines**

Environmentally-sustainable tourism or ecotourism has become a major area of interest for governments, the private sector and international lending institutions. It is regarded as a way of allowing economic development whilst protecting against environmental degradation, especially in those countries with fragile ecosystems. However, despite the beneficial intentions of ecotourism, it tends to be regarded uncritically by environmental organizations,

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governments and the private sector alike. Rosaleen Duffy presents this analysis of ecotourism, linking it with environmental ideologies and the politics of North-South relations. By the extensive use of case study and interview material, she formulates ideas and proposals that should be important for the development of ecotourism around the globe.

### **Indigenous Ecotourism**

Roy and Jan have assembled a timely snapshot of our current understanding of ecotourism, both as a concept worthy of scientific inquiry and as an increasingly significant segment of global commerce and industry. A terrific piece of work! Sam Ham, University of Idaho, US In the 30 or so year since it became established in the tourism literature and in tourism practice, ecotourism has attracted as many proponents as opponents. This Handbook now brings together some of the leading scholars worldwide in this field, to explore the current position of this form of tourism. In doing so, it offers serious critiques, it explores meanings and paradoxes, it offers best practices and it looks to the future. It is the Handbook for one of tourism's fastest growing and controversial sectors. David Airey, University of Surrey, UK This is a most welcome and needed book. With a very strong editorial team and contributing authors, the Handbook covers all the key issues of ecotourism. It cuts through the confusion surrounding the much-misunderstood concept of ecotourism, clearly dealing with definitions, concepts and research issues. The Handbook is particularly welcome for its focus on the

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visitor experience, a strength of the editors, and for clearly linking the theory of ecotourism with practice in the field. Christopher Cooper, Oxford Brookes University, UK This Handbook brings together contributions from over forty international experts in the field of ecotourism. It provides a critical review and discussion of current issues and concepts it challenges readers to consider the boundaries of what ecotourism is, and could be. The Handbook provides practical information regarding the business of ecotourism; insights into ecotourist behaviour and visitor experiences; and reflections on the practice of ecotourism in a range of different contexts. The Handbook is designed to be a valuable reference book for tourism scholars and researchers.

## **Ecotourism**

This is the ultimate guide to discovering the vast "River of Grass" ecoregion of the southern Florida mainland. Packed with photographs, maps, and informative text, this guide will help outdoor enthusiasts appreciate the landscape and varied flora and fauna of this watershed whether they have a day to spend in the effort or a lifetime. This edition includes new routes in Biscayne National Park. Whether traveling by canoe or by foot, this guide will enhance the next journey into the remarkable Everglades.

## **Ecotourists Save the World**

The worldwide development of ecotourism—including

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adventures such as mountain climbing and whitewater rafting, as well as more pedestrian pursuits such as birdwatching—has been extensively studied, but until now little attention has been paid to why vacationers choose to take part in what are often physically and emotionally strenuous endeavors. Drawing on ethnographic research and his own experiences working as an ecotour guide throughout the United States and Latin America, Robert Fletcher argues that participation in rigorous outdoor activities resonates with the particular cultural values of the white, upper-middle-class Westerners who are the majority of ecotourists. Navigating 13,000-foot mountain peaks or treacherous river rapids demands deferral of gratification, perseverance through suffering, and a willingness to assume risks in pursuit of continuous progress. In this way, characteristics originally cultivated for professional success have been transferred to the leisure realm at a moment when traditional avenues for achievement in the public sphere seem largely exhausted. At the same time, ecotourism provides a temporary escape from the ostensible ills of modern society by offering a transcendent "wilderness" experience that contrasts with the indoor, sedentary, mental labor characteristically performed by white-collar workers.

### **The ECO Guide to Careers that Make a Difference**

### **A Simple User's Guide to Certification for Sustainable Tourism and Ecotourism**

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This book is designed to show how ecotourism theory can be put into practice by exploring innovation, program applications, and research-supported case studies in ecotourism. The chapters reflect results of applied research focused on socio-economics of community development; the value of considering system-wide approaches to the relationships between communities and natural resources; the intricacies of capacity building and training facilitators in ecotourism; and education through ecotourism experiences. The cumulative impact of the research presented highlights innovative approaches to visitor management, community engagement, and education to critically address the complexities associated with visitation to natural areas and the dependence upon conservation of ecosystems and associated communities. This book was originally published as a special issue of the Journal of Ecotourism.

## **Ecotourism**

Genuine ecotourism can have many positive impacts, particularly the conservation of biodiversity and cultural heritage and the creation of economic opportunities for local communities. While promoting these, it aims to eliminate negative impacts such as environmental degradation, cultural commoditisation and playground effects. Unfortunately, the concept is broadly misunderstood and its true definition is widely debated. It is often used as a marketing tool, with some operators taking advantage of the ecotourism label to attract more business while behaving in

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environmentally irresponsible ways. This book considers the important topic of quality control and accreditation in ecotourism, describing the mechanisms that can be implemented to ensure quality in all aspects of the industry, namely protected areas, businesses, products and tour guides.

### **Ecotourism Planning Guide for Alaska Native Landowners**

#### **Ecotourism**

Intended as a guide for wildlife managers and ecotourism operators, as well as interested ecotourists, this book addresses the biological principles governing how ecotourism affects wildlife. The introductory chapters focus on four key responses to human visitation—behavioral, physiological, ecological, and evolutionary. Readers will discover ecotourism's effects on biodiversity in connection with various industries that are habitat or taxonomically specific: fish tourism (including both freshwater and marine), marine mammal tourism, the huge industry centered on terrestrial animals, and the well-studied industry of penguin tourism. Given that the costs and benefits of ecotourism cannot be meaningfully assessed without understanding the human context, particular attention is given to how ecotourism has been used as part of community development. In closing, the book synthesizes the current state of knowledge regarding best practices for reducing human impacts on wildlife. The final

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chapter highlights key research questions that must be addressed to provide more evidence-based guidelines and policy.

## **Best Practice Ecotourism**

ECO Guide immerses you in the strategies and tactics that leading edge professionals are using to tackle pressing problems and create innovative solutions.

## **International Handbook on Ecotourism**

From pristine beaches and jungle waterfalls to high-altitude coffee plantations, Costa Rica: The Complete Guide puts the very best of Costa Rica at your fingertips. Blending detailed travel tips with beautiful photography, this guidebook offers so much more than just restaurant and hotel reviews. Fascinating chapters explore Costa Rica's unique history, culture, food, ecology and wildlife. "Top 10 Ways to Avoid a Cultural Misunderstanding" helps visitors avoid common—and potentially embarrassing—mistakes. Discover what makes Costa Rica one of the world's most amazing destinations. Soar above the cloud forest on a zipline at Monteverde. Spend the night at a deluxe ecolodge next to Arenal Volcano. Soak in the tropical beauty of Costa Rica's world-class beaches at Manuel Antonio National Park. Plan the perfect Costa Rican vacation! Filled with travel tips to save you time and money Over 300 beautiful color photos Over 30 detailed maps Fascinating chapters on History, Culture and Food Informative guide to Wildlife and Ecology 1% of profits are donated to environmental

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organizations working to preserve Costa Rica's biodiversity for future generations Printed on sustainable FSC paper

### **The Encyclopedia of Ecotourism**

Since the 1990s, the Ankarana region of northern Madagascar has developed a reputation among globe-trotting gemstone traders and tourists as a source of some of the world's most precious natural wonders. Although some might see Ankarana's sapphire and ecotourist trades as being at odds with each other, many local people understand these trades to be fundamentally connected, most obviously in how both serve foreign demand for what Madagascar has to offer the world. Walsh explores the tensions and speculations that have come with the parallel emergence of these two trades with sensitivity and a critical eye, allowing for insights into globalization, inequality, and the appeal of the "natural." For more information, and to read a hyperlinked version of the first chapter online, visit [www.madeinmadagascar.org](http://www.madeinmadagascar.org).

### **The Ecotourism-Extraction Nexus**

A comprehensive guide to environmental and wildlife volunteer programs throughout the world. This unique site-by-site guide profiles more than 300 programs where volunteers can work in a variety of activities involving conservation and study of wildlife. From the Fur Seal Project of the Earthwatch Institute in St. George Island, Alaska, or identifying and tracking

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wildlife in the Limpopo Nature Reserve, South Africa, to Blue World Institute's Adriatic Dolphin Project in Croatia, to the tracking program of the Open Minded Project in Kaeng Krachan National Park, Thailand, readers will learn the best ways to "give back" and make the most positive environmental impact during their travels. Each entry includes a profile of the site and organization behind it, as well as location, contact information, category, costs, dates and duration, how to apply, and field notes that include any special concerns, requirements for participation, and suitability.

### **Delaware River Main Channel Deepening (NJ,DE,PA) D; Amendment**

### **Defending Our Rainforest**

Travellers to Hawaii go for sun, sand, and surf, but increasingly leave the beach for part of their stay to explore the islands' incredible natural attractions: stunning mountain scenery, wonderful hiking trails, glimpses of birds-many of them highly endangered-that occur nowhere else on earth. This book contains all the information you need to find, identify, and learn about the region's magnificent animal life. Book jacket.

### **The Business of Ecotourism**

### **Made in Madagascar**

## **Hawaii**

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