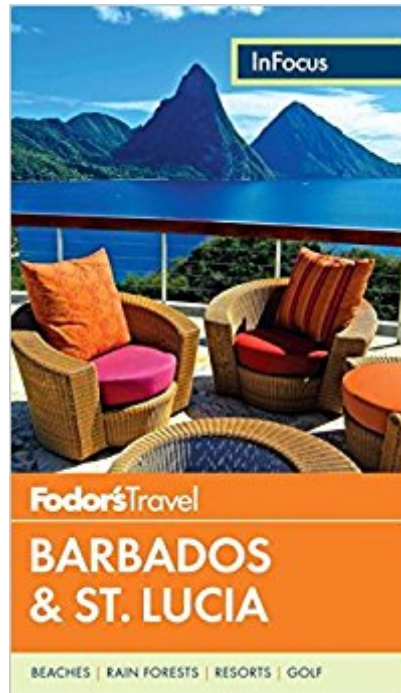




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Known for its sophisticated resorts, British style, and warm inviting hospitality, Barbados is an island of broad vistas, sweeping seascapes, and acres of sugar cane. Mountainous St. Lucia is covered by rainforest that makes it one of the greenest islands in the Caribbean, and it also has vibrant coral reefs that draw scuba divers from all over the world. The two islands offer both all-inclusive and regular resorts and are linked by frequent air service, making the short hop in about 20 minutes.

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I got this right before I went to Barbados in late September. The book seemed to be fairly up to date. The book was small and compact, convenient for traveling, and easy to read. One negative is the lack of photos and visual aids in the book. There are a lot of more helpful and colorful pamphlets and brochures for free once you arrive at Barbados airport. We ended up using the travel office at our resort hotel to get more information and purchase tickets for excursions. I do want to pass along these free pamphlets and brochures to the professional travel guide companies though! Free internet sites with travelers' opinions are more informative for getting more up-to-date frank feedback, especially for rare destinations, such as Barbados. Of course, the points of views may be swayed and tend to be a place for people to vent about bad experiences. This book is not too pricey, so I did not expect too much. Unlike Planet Lonely and other competitors, I believe that Fodor's intention for the "In Focus" series to be "starter" travel guides to help beginners learn a few basic things about the destination. Let me put it this way, it's better than nothing if you are a planner with spontaneity not being your strong suit. Have fun! PS By the way, I did my first all-inclusive vacation at Barbados, which reduced the stress about having to find a place to eat and things to do every day. Of course, we wanted to get away from the resort hotel sometimes, so the book was one way to spark our interest to get more information on particular excursions.

Purchased book for travel to St Lucia. Normally I prefer Lonely Planet, but couldn't find an LP guide specific to STL. When I travel, I avoid resorts and all inclusive and prefer to get off the beaten path. I felt this book focused very much on resorts and didn't offer very good tips to truly experience the country.

I go this to help prepare for a honeymoon in St. Lucia. It's a pretty standard travel book, and if it's the only one you get you'll be alright. It's a little light on St. Lucia, and doesn't have anything you cant read through Trip Advisor or Oyster websites. I'd recommend getting the Lonely Planet guide over this.

Just what I was looking for. I have always had good luck with Fodor's Guides and this one is no exception.

Not worth a penny. Horribly laid-out; no maps; tiny, tiny print. Utterly useless.

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