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Ross Wehner, Renee del Gaudio, Kazia Jankowski : Moon Peru (Moon Handbooks) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Moon Peru (Moon Handbooks):

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Great, Reliable Guidebook By Alex QI've been using this guide for the past 2 years when I've traveled to Peru to visit my fiancée and for research (I am a grad student). Overall, I have found it to be accurate and useful for the more popular tourist sites in Peru and have found its recommendations to be positive. As with any guidebook, it does not include all sites that are fun to visit and could provide more details on others, but for those on a whirlwind tour it has some great recommendations for how to plan your travel depending on your time available. I haven't yet found anything inaccurate in it, though I haven't had to rely too much on all of its info since my fiancée is Peruvian and we tend to go off the beaten path when we travel or rely on her network of

friends and family. For those complaining about things being out of date, that is not to be unexpected in Peru where the tourist industry is quite vibrant and changing - new hostels and restaurants come and go rather quickly. You should always confirm your travel plans before arrival - call the place up, check to see if it has a website, etc. In general, I would not pay anything before you arrive at your hostel. Always confirm the price, check the room/bed and facilities to make sure it is what you expected. Pay night-to-night when possible. As for restaurants, Peru is full of delicious and fairly reliable eating establishments. If one is not there that is listed in a guidebook, there will surely be another close by that is probably just about as good, at least if you are looking for some of the more typical Peruvian cuisines. Once again, you can always try and give them a ring or see if they are on the Internet. Don't feel just because it isn't in a guidebook that it is bad or you don't want to eat there. Even if it is in the guidebook you should still exercise common sense in whether the food will be safe or not. Overall, I stand by this guide's recommendations, and hope that they publish a new edition soon since the current one is now 3 years old.

7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. For economical backpackers Lonely Planet is better, for wealthier people Moon is better. By Interpol987I just got back from a month long backpacking trip through Peru with the Moon guide, while my friend who I traveled with had Lonely Planet (LP). I liked the Moon guide for its well written and personal writing style. They have a lot of interesting asides about specific sites and activities, which read like a close friend recounting the tale. However, LP manages to cram in more information specifically more cheap hostals for each city. I could tell that the writers stayed at the luxury hotels based on their vivid, personal descriptions, but I have my doubts whether they actually went to the cheaper hostals where I stayed at. LP also has much better maps b/c they include a key and grid so you can find the site easier, while Moon has less extensive maps that do not include a key, so you have to search through the entire map for it. One more thing, Moon weighs more than LP. Overall, it was a very informative and useful book that was a good read. Moon seems more geared to those with a little more money. Personally, I would take LP over Moon, but that is due to my present funds.

8 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Simply Outstanding. By GraceI have an upcoming trip to Peru, Chile, and Argentina. For this trip, though, I ended up purchasing guidebooks from three different publishers - - Moon, Rough Guidebooks and my regular Fodor's, respectively, for the aforementioned countries. The Moon Handbook to Peru was OUTSTANDING. I am not a backpacker type of traveler, and if/when I am taking a vacation to a new country, it's because I intend to do it in style. That said, I am not looking to go broke on one trip. This means that I want ALL my options laid out in front of me. I want to eat cheap with the locals, I want to eat at THE best restaurant in a certain city, I want to know if catching my own fish and renting a cabin with a kitchen is the best experience. This means that if in a certain town, all the accomodations are basically all mediocre, I want to go to the one with the nicest staff or proximity to transportation or a safe neighborhood. Also, while I would take the word of a friend more seriously - I really do value the opinion given to me by my guidebooks as far as which places are popular but really not worth the time, which places are unknown but should not be missed. Moon gave all that and then some to me. I perused reviews to pick and choose which reviews I'd buy for each country, and spent a considerable amount of time reading through each individual review. While the reviews for Chile were way off - Peru's assessment was RIGHT ON - Moon Handbook to Peru IS the best book. Hopefully, this review helps someone else out there when they are planning their trip to this amazing country. In the meantime, I now have to order Moon's Handbook to Chile. Rough Guidebooks was a complete waste of money!

Former residents of Peru, husband and wife Ross Wehner and Rene del Gaudio offer an insider's view of the country, from exploring the churches and artisan neighborhoods of Cusco to avoiding the crowds at Machu Picchu and picnicking on the wilderness beach of the Reserva Nacional Paracas. Wehner and del Gaudio include unique trip ideas such as Getting off the Gringo Trail, Archaeological Treasures, and 10 Days in Peru. Packed with information on dining, transportation, and accommodations, Moon Peru has lots of options for a range of travel budgets. Every Moon guidebook includes recommendations for must-see sights and many regional, area, and city-centered maps. Complete with details on trekking the Inca Trail, exploring the Amazon, and surfing in Lima, Moon Peru gives travelers the tools they need to create a more personal and memorable experience. With expert writers, first-rate strategic advice, and an essential dose of humor, Moon guidebooks are the cure for the common trip.

About the Author Ross Wehner and Renee Del Gaudio are the Peru adventure experts. They spent 10 months roving around Peru in a jeep as they wrote the first edition of Moon Peru, criss-crossing the country three times between desert coast, snow-capped Andes, and humid . They sampled every adventure possible, including sea kayaking on Lake Titicaca, zip-lining in the jungle, and cresting out over 20,000 feet in the snow summits of the Cordillera Blanca.