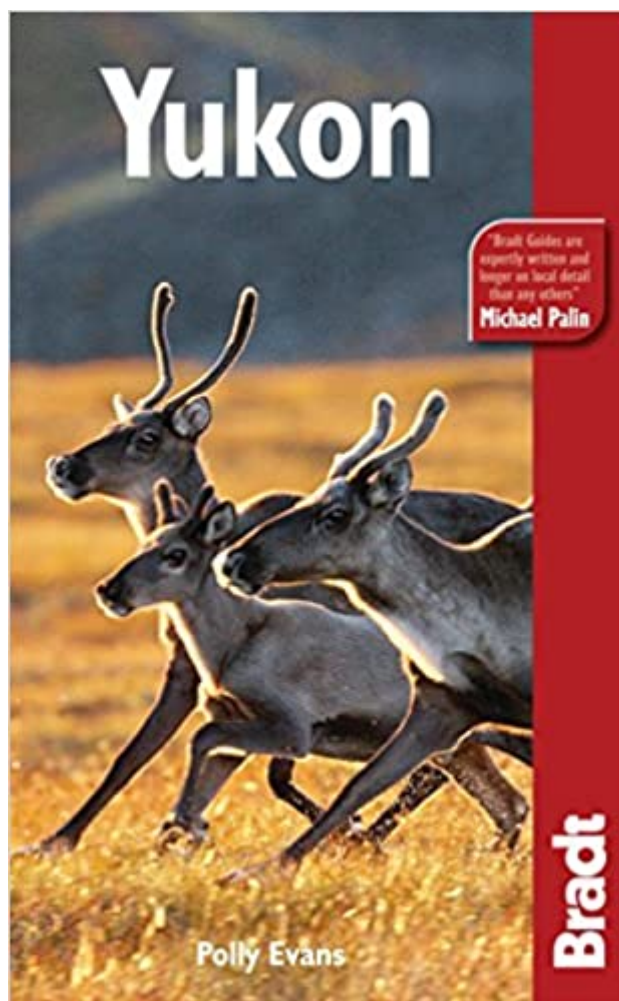


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# Yukon (Bradt Travel Guide Yukon)



## Synopsis

Canada's Yukon is one the world's last great wildernesses, where bears, moose and caribou roam. It's a place where hikers, paddlers, skiers and mushers can travel for days without seeing another human soul, where the northern lights dance green and red across starry skies, where glaciers tumble, mountain peaks soar, and tundra shrubs scream scarlet as summer turns to fall. It's a land of heart-rending human stories, too, for the Yukon is home to the Klondike, to which an estimated hundred thousand dreamers and desperadoes &#150; including a young Jack London &#150; once swarmed in search of gold. Bradt's Yukon is the only guidebook dedicated to this natural and historical wonderland. Offering practical advice on everything from where to pan for gold to how to avoid being eaten by a bear, alongside quirky anecdotes (such as the story behind the 'sourtoe cocktail' &#150; a shot of whisky garnished with a severed human toe), it's the perfect companion for highway drivers, cruise-ship passengers, and outdoors enthusiasts alike.

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## Customer Reviews

'All the advice and information you will need for a fantastic trip.' Real Travel 'Whether you're looking for the best cruise-ship shore excursions, driving tours or simply what to expect from a tour operator holiday in the Yukon, this is a very sound buy.' Essentially America est Guidebook Award, sponsored by First PR. Polly Evans, Yukon, Bradt Travel Guides. 'The writer was obviously smitten with the Yukon, this was very apparent from the text, but two things stood out for the judges-the

quality of the writing and the amount of research. A deserving winner.' Judges' Comments - British Guild of Travel Writers 2010 Best Guidebook Award

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This is a really comprehensive guide to the Yukon. (Parts of the Northwest Territory are covered - those sections you can reach via the Yukon). The book is written by an English author who's spent some considerable time in the territory. Her writing style is fun and I get the impression she's writing for the British/European crowd, but this works okay for this American. I previously purchased "Moon Spotlight: The Yukon & Northwest Territory" by Andrew Hempstead. It's 1/4 the size of this Brandt Travel Guide, almost a booklet. This is a real book-size guide. The only potential drawback is that this book is a few year's old, but I don't see that as a problem when facts and such can be checked on-line. I will update once I actually visit the Yukon this summer.

I found this book very helpful by letting me know what there is to see in the Yukon Territory. However, during my recent trip there I found that many items in the book are outdated. Of the restaurants listed, I found that a number of them are no longer in business -- one having apparently closed over seven years ago. I also found that some lodging and tour information was also no longer accurate and, in one case, the tour was no longer operating. I would recommend this book as a means of getting an overview of what there is to see, primarily because I have not been able to find any other Yukon travel guide as extensive as this one. However, I would also recommend that once you enter any Yukon town or city that you first check at the visitors' Center to see what is still operating, times of operation, etc., and not rely on this book for such information. I would also be very flexible regarding restaurants rather than merely following the book's recommendations. Due to the financial problems Parks Canada is facing, at least one very popular tourist sight is being closed. I was informed that the much visited Dredge #4 outside of Dawson City will no longer be open following this present summer (2012). However, there still remains much to see in the Yukon Territory, and I highly recommend it as a place to visit -- especially if you are interested in old "gold rush" history, viewing wildlife and beautiful lakes, learning about First Nation (Native American) cultures, etc.

Great guide!

very comprehensive and nicely illustrated. Seems good - the trip north will tell the real story.

Good info for an uncommonly traveled-to area. The book is a few years old, but still had some of the best detail that I've found.

Must have for anyone traveling to Alaska

I bought this book to help me with a trip that I am planning next summer. What I wanted to know was more about the areas that I wanted to visit and if there were affordable places to eat at the stops. The author writes about his love of the territory and the beauty of it, but I always feel as though I am not getting enough specific information to help me. For each town, there are only about four restaurants suggested, there is little about the different excursions that are available and an opinion about them. I think that I need to buy another book as this one seems useless to me.

This is, as far as I can tell, the only Yukon-specific guidebook out there (most others tend to shoehorn it in as an afterthought at the back of a book about British Columbia or Alaska), and it's a good one. It covers pretty much every inhabited place in the territory with solid basics, plus detail for those who want to get off the beaten path for hiking/camping/etc. We used it for a several-week trip and were never steered wrong. I'm not sure exactly what the other reviewer's mental picture of the Yukon is, but it doesn't seem to be too grounded in reality. Outside of Whitehorse and Dawson City, most of what passes for civilization is hamlets of a few dozen to (at most) a thousand or so people. "Only" four restaurants is, for most towns, an exhaustive list of every possible dining option. Travelling the Yukon ain't like driving down the Eastern Seaboard.

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