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Shann Fountain Alipour : Moon Croatia and Slovenia (Moon Handbooks) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Moon Croatia and Slovenia (Moon Handbooks):

41 of 42 people found the following review helpful. Comprehensive guide to Croatia and Slovenia By R. P. Spretnak As I plan for a trip next year to Croatia and Slovenia, I've learned that different travel guides appeal to different types of travelers. I'm not upscale enough for Frommer's. I'm not a trust-fund backpacker using Lonely Planet. Rick Steves is for the NPR crowd who'll like his political asides. Nothing wrong with those other guidebooks if you're the audience to whom those books are aimed. I am finding the Moon Guide to be exactly what I want. It's devoid of politics. (!) It's rather comprehensive, covering the whole country and not just the tourist hotspots. It strikes the right balance for those of us who want to hit some of the highlights, as well as off-the-beaten-track sites. It's full of practical

advice on various transportation and lodging options, without revealing any particular political bias in any direction. One group will find this book indispensable: wine tourists. Winery tours may not be my thing, but this book is full of detailed information on winery tours in various parts of Croatia, mostly Istria and Slavonia (a region completely ignored by Rick Steves, even though it's close to half of Croatia's land mass). If you like winery tours, this book is essential. But even if, like me, you're not into viticulture, there is plenty of other useful information presented agenda-free. POST TRAVEL UPDATE: This book was very helpful for my tour of Croatia and, to a lesser extent, Slovenia. The Dubrovnik sightseeing and restaurant recommendations were useful. Excellent information on the Kvarner Gulf region. I do have one minor quibble about the Slovenia information. The author is focused on Croatia and her information for that country is invaluable. However, as much info as she provides on the wines of Croatia, she does not give nearly enough information about the delicious variety of wines and aperitifs indigenous to Slovenia! Excellent info for a drinking and eating tour of Croatia. Not nearly enough for a drinking and eating tour of Slovenia!

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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. The better of the two By Mike Berg We brought this book and Rick Steve's Croatia. This one was more informative. It included Zadar, which Rick Steves ignored. The restaurant suggestions were better in this one. If you are only buying one book for Croatia, the Moon Handbook was the best.

Travel writer and Croatia resident Shann Fountain Culo shares her love of the locale from the wooden village houses, folk festivals, and wineries of Croatia to the rafting, skiing, and cave-exploring opportunities that abound in Slovenia. Shann includes unique itineraries such as the 14-Day Best of Croatia and Slovenia, A Culinary Tour of Istria and Dalmatia, and Sailing the Croatian Islands. Moon Croatia and Slovenia is packed with information on the best dining, transportation, and accommodations. Complete with expert advice on when to explore the city sans tourists, participate in the grape harvest season or ski in the Julian Alps, Moon Croatia and Slovenia gives travelers the tools they need to create a more personal and memorable experience.