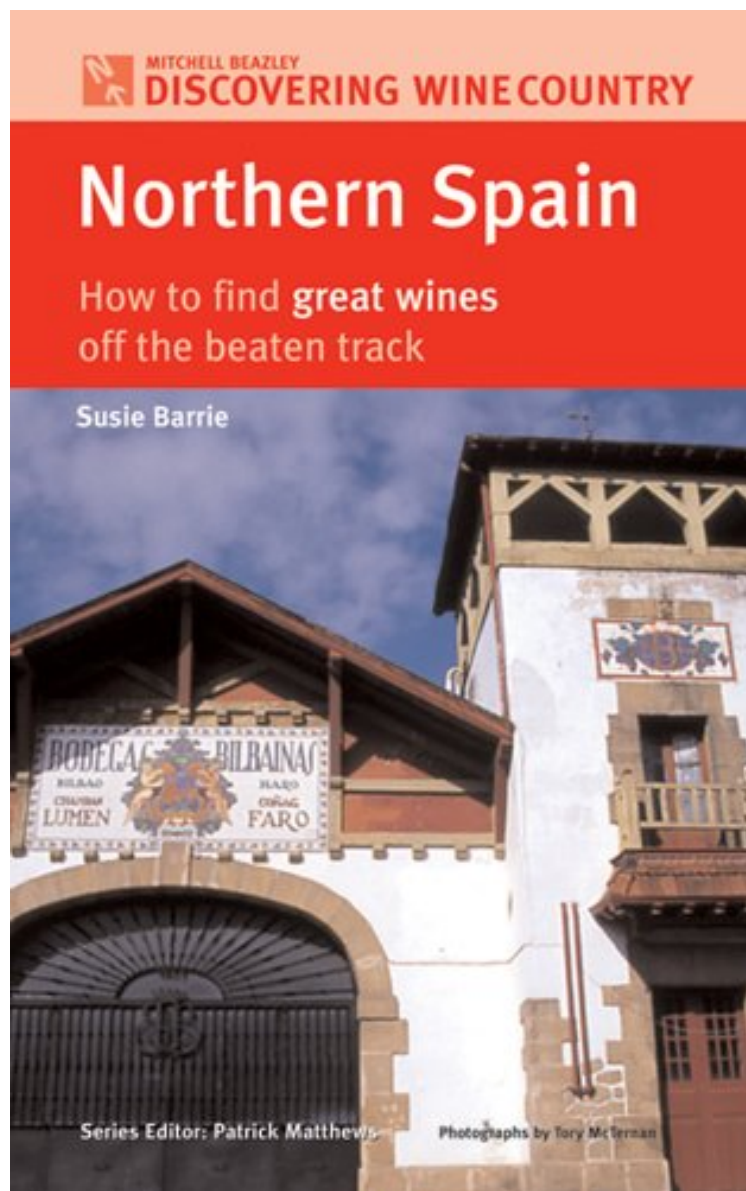


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before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Northern Spain: How to Find Great Wines Off the Beaten Track (Discovering Wine Country):

9 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Does its job? By CustomerOnly book of its type, as far as I know. Went on a wine tasting trip to Priorat, Montsant, and Penedes with my father, and found this guide invaluable. It was practically the only source of information we had when we set out, and it gave us plenty of info for a perfect 4 days of wine tasting. Simple things, like hotels, generally efficient routes through the regions, restaurants, etc., would have been dramatically more difficult to plan without this guide. For what it's worth, she's absolutely right about the tourism office in Falset, they have a giant map of the Montsant and Priorat regions that supplements this book perfectly. If I have any complaint, it's that she's very liberal in her praise. She is unlikely to tell you when a given winery, much less a region, isn't very good. But so what? The purpose of this guide is to give you enough information to be able to go there and make your own judgments.

From traditional, world-famous bodegas to new, futuristic wineries, this invaluable guide guarantees any lover of northern Spanish wines a wonderful wine-finding trip. After exploring the geography of the region—complete with advice on getting around, finding the best hotels, and selecting great local cuisine—it discusses tours of the wine areas and explores the individual wines, from the exciting whites of Rias Baixas to the historic reds of Rioja. Handy hints throughout help you arrange visits to the finest producers and discover other places of interest nearby.

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