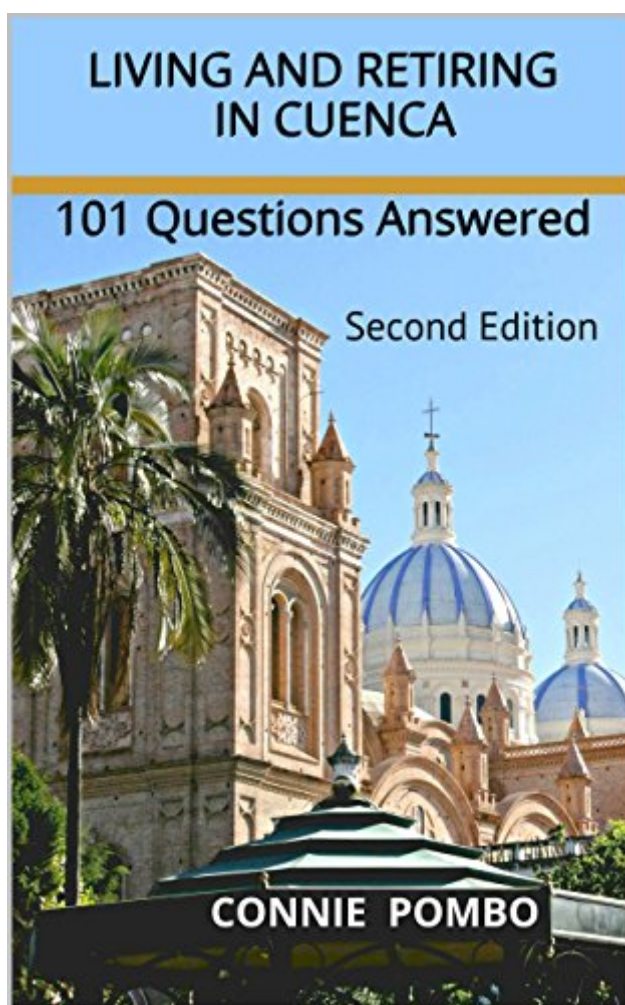


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# Living And Retiring In Cuenca: 101 Questions Answered -- Second Edition



## Synopsis

Revised and Updated (November 29, 2015). The first and most popular usable book on living and retiring in Cuenca, Ecuador, is now available in its second edition with all-new easy-access formatting and up-to-date information. Cuenca is still considered the “Pearl of South America” and continues to draw people from all around the world to explore, to invest, and to live. With its year-round temperate climate, low cost of living, excellent health care, affordable housing, and one of the most well-developed and extensive expat communities, Cuenca remains the number one retirement destination in the world. After five years, Cuenca’s charm still hasn’t worn off, but this edition presents a viewpoint tempered with real-life experiences, and the author shares these in detail. There’s no sugarcoating or glossing over the realities of living in a developing country, which the author is quick to point out. The book contains eleven chapters covering: Cuenca in General; Visiting Cuenca; Visas, Residency, and Citizenship; Getting to Cuenca; Settling In; Life in Cuenca; Expecting the Unexpected, and End of Life. There’s even a helpful resource section in the appendices with everything you’ll need to begin your new life, along with insider secrets to help negotiate your way through the first few months in Cuenca. Cuenca isn’t the next Costa Rica • quite yet • but new arrivals continue to flow in, including younger parents in their 30s and 40s who have school-age children. The typical expat resides in Cuenca approximately three to five years, and then moves on due to health problems, family concerns, or inability to adapt to the culture. That’s why it’s important to get accurate information upfront before making a decision to live or retire overseas. Although there have been a lot of changes in Cuenca • new infrastructure, stepped-up police presence, and the electric train, which is scheduled to open in 2016 • Cuenca is still one of the world’s best retirement choices for those on a budget. Furthermore, Ecuador continues to use the U.S. dollar, so calculating the exchange rate is never a problem. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the second edition, and the author plans to make monthly updates, especially to the Visa section, as these rules change frequently. If you’re planning to visit Cuenca or you intend to make this beautiful city your retirement destination, you’ll appreciate this Cuenca workbook, as it allows you to check things off your list as you go. What Others are Saying: “Best Ecuador reference book I have read! Well written book with very detailed reference materials. This book answered the questions I had about relocating to Cuenca. It also provided answers to many questions I had not yet thought of!” ~ Rhonda B. Fordon “Connie invites you to experience daily life as she and her husband live it. The advice is practical, thoughtful, and on the mark; her connections and resources

are excellent. Even though I knew much about Cuenca through previous experience, Connie filled in the missing pieces. This book is a keeper! ~ Wendy J. Carrel, TheWellnessShepherd.com

“A perfect common sense guide for those considering a move to Cuenca. This book is a concise read with answers to the vast array of questions a person might have if they were considering a move to Cuenca, Ecuador. In addition to supplying a plethora of common sense answers, the author also provides a very detailed list of multiple resources to cover almost every topic you might need to know before moving to Cuenca. ~ M. Smith

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I first read this book when I borrowed it under 's Kindle Unlimited. I found the book to be such a valuable resource that I purchased it!

This is by far the most useful guide on what you need to do if you have an interest in retiring to

Cuenca. The title sounds dry, but going through the book is actually fun, especially since most of the questions you may have are answered in detail. The resources information that includes phone numbers, e-mail addresses and sometimes web sites is particularly useful. We also appreciated the enthusiasm for the good things in Cuenca and down-to-earth treatment of the usual problems found in any city. The descriptions on how to navigate the immigration bureaucracy is priceless. This is a must-have manual!

This book has so much really valuable information. A must read if you are considering retiring in Ecuador! We now realize we need to come visit for a few months before making a final decision. Our hesitation now is if we choose to become residents, we could not leave the country the first year and only 3 months the second year, even if there was an emergency in the family. For that reason we have decided to probably visit there for 3-6 months a year and stay in our home country for the spring through fall months. I love that the book tells about the customs and all the advantages and disadvantages, the whole picture. Too many books give only the great stuff and then you find out too late you only got half the story. Thanks so much! See you in Ecuador in 2014!

The book offers a good basic insight into retiring in Ecuador. Some sections were somewhat rambling but then I'm not a big fan of prose. I would particularly like to know more about the political climate there. Some information on relations with neighbors etc. The sections on transportation were well done. Would definitely recommend it..

This book is well written and very specific. If you are looking at retiring in Cuenca this is a great book for you. If you're simply interested in learning more about relocation to Ecuador then this is not the right book for you, although there is some overlap. The first few chapters are dedicated to general information and the authors experiences which I found interesting. Thereafter the book is laid out as questions and answers about specific things to do with relocation to Cuenca. The author provides some good links and resources to assist, everything from lawyers to real estate agents. If you're considering relocation to Cuenca this is essential reading.

Thorough, informative, and well written. Invaluable material for living or considering moving or retiring at a Cuenca, for considerably less than back home.

I learned about Connie Pombo's book from ex-pats at my hotel in Cuenca, and as soon as I

returned to California, I downloaded it. This is the guide I wish I had known about before my recent excursion to Cuenca, Ecuador, a city I love. Connie invites you to experience daily life as she and her husband live it. The advice is practical, thoughtful, and on the mark; her connections and resources are excellent. Even though I knew much about Cuenca through previous experience, Connie filled in the missing pieces. This book is a keeper. Thank you Connie. Happy journeying to Cuenca!

Certainly a solid value for the money! The 101 questions answered, will go a long way to helping one make the decision to move to Cuenca or not. And if the decision is yes, this ebook is packed with what you need to know. The decision to move to a new country is sometimes the easiest thing to do, after that the "real work" begins. This book is almost a must, if you really want to know what the real challenges are going to be. Valuable information from one who's made the journey.

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