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I love Lonely Planet, and have traveled to dozens of countries following their advice. This guidebook, however, was pretty worthless (at least for peninsular Malaysia and Singapore, where we were). The food recommendations were very hit-or-miss (so after a while we ditched their advice and followed wikitravel/tripadvisor (luckily we had internet everywhere we were)), and the maps were AWFUL. Kuala Lumpur's was completely unusable. For planning, the book was OK--descriptions of sites were good, but not so much for logistics, which may reflect Malaysia's rapidly improving infrastructure more than the book itself. We were a bit frustrated by finding accommodation in Malaysia-- almost all of the LP reviews are somewhat tepid, and considering how inexpensive accommodation is in MY, we would have liked some more rave-worthy guesthouses. Not sure if that reflects on the book or the country, though. Still, until LP updates this book, I'd go with a different guidebook.

This guide has gone with me to Malaysia and Singapore. It's great for planning ahead and inspiration when you're not quite sure what to do next. The area maps with all the landmarks (attractions, hotels, restaurants) are particularly helpful. An itsy-bitsy warning, though: maybe 2 of the dozens of places we've found in the book were closed down. If that is a big concern, just call ahead. If you're going to Jonker Night Market in Melaka, don't forget your Lonely Planet book! Wave it at Ho Eng Hui, the Coconut Kung Fu Master and he will sign it. Now, that's a souvenir!

This book made a huge difference on my trip. I was able to get truly insider information by reading these pages. I checked some of the pages with the locals and the authors were right on. This book shaped my trip and allowed me to do a lot of the activities that I would have missed otherwise. A must have!

I stayed in Kuantan, Malaysia, for a week. And, there was only a short paragraph about Kuantan. There was no mentioning of the nightlife, health clubs, massage, and Sengai Pandan Waterfall near Kuantan. If you're looking for in-depth details about Kuantan, you will be disappointed. But, there are many pages devoted to Kuala Lumpur. So, for small towns, I suggest buying a separate guide

book.

Quite weak in coverage of neighborhoods in KL. but good for a broad brushstroke of the city.

Used this book along with trip advisor to travel through kuala lumpur and singapore - it's a wonderful reference! We took it with us every time we left the hotel.

It is a tour guide book. It helped my wife find out the basics of what is in and around the city/country of Singapore. Wuree, you can find all the same information online through Google.....but it is nice to have one place you can flip through to find out about most of the touristy things to do in Singapore. My wife carried it with her throughout her trip (I was there for business, so she was on her own each day) and it came in handy many times as she found new things to see and visit.

So far everything is ok, I will put the book to the test in the beginning of next year when I'm there. I also think is a book more oriented for backpackers and "tree-hugers" but is good to have an overview of the region.

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