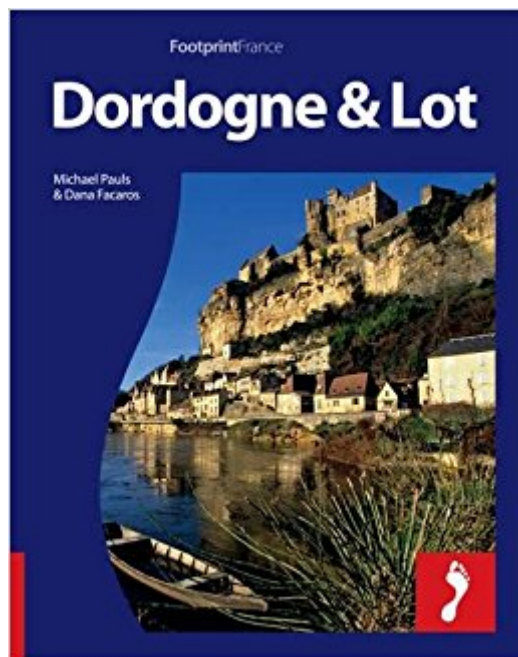




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Dordogne & The Lot: Full-color Travel Guide To The Dordogne & Lot (Footprint - Destination Guides)



Synopsis

The Dordogne takes you by surprise. Green and calm and quiet, at first glance it seems just another corner of rural France designed for good food, fine wine and easy living. Then you notice that it holds humanity's first great works of art, provocative paintings on the walls of its caves that go back over 15,000 years BC. It's been a busy crossroads ever since. The 'land of a thousand castles' has cinematic medieval donjons and turreted Renaissance châteaux to rival those of the Loire. A dramatic history hasn't kept the Dordogne from polishing the arts of everyday life. There's an inviting cuisine based on duck, foie gras and truffles, and lovely villages of warm golden stone that complement some of France's most civilized landscapes.

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Customer Reviews

Michael Pauls has lived in the Lot since 1989 and knows it like the back of his hand. With his wife Dana Facaros he has written over 30 books and frequently contributes to various publications in the UK.

This was pretty much the only book we used while traveling in the Perigord. Frankly---it was MORE than enough. It covered the region splendidly. Additionally, the writing style was very enjoyable...which we do enjoy in a travel book. Nice pictures without being overdone. Yes.

This guidebook has been very helpful in planning a trip to the Dordogne--history, accommodations,

sites. The fine photographs help visualize the places. The print is a little small but this is a small quibble for an excellent guidebook. This is the only book you will need.

Better than other guides to the region. Provides a general outlook for intending visitors to the Dordogne and Lot regions of France and enables planning of daily itineraries.

I am using this book currently to plan a trip and am finding it easy to follow and well laid out. It should prove to be an enormous aid in our travels to Dordogne.

Helped us tour this part of France on our own -- very good!

Excellent, thanks.

I am thrilled

For those who want a guide to drill down to the next level, esp ancient history & 'connections', of this (in the case of the Lot) relatively off the tourist track area...which is spell-binding. There are lots of us who consider this one of the great regions of rural France, and part of what makes it so spell-binding is that there are multiple layers of history (not _just_ 'ancient': like a still-in-use Art Deco 1920's service station in a village on the Aveyron), like a Grand Canyon, pretty much around every bend. This is the book to have with you. An old girlfriend taught: don't plan too many things, a couple main goals, but have the right reading material along (whatever that may be...river guides, fishing spots, menhirs, histories of 15th century France, wineries). This is the right reading material. I started in Cadogan Guides with Scotland, been there 18 times, and still *always* take that Cadogan. This book is the same: indispensable, even if you _think_ you know the region, and enough practical info about everything (french) so you could use it for a first trip to France if you want to go to a beautiful, peaceful region packed with secrets and history.

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