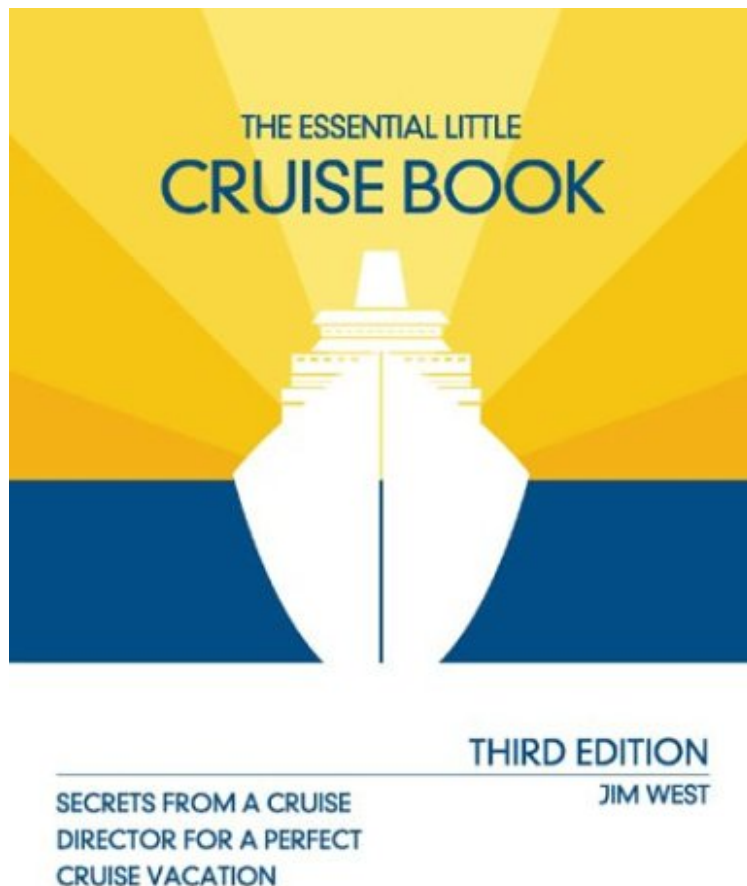


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book. Overall, it's a fun read, and even if you've been on a cruise before I guarantee you will learn something new from this book. One thing to note is that the book is really just a big bulleted list of hints and suggestions from a former Cruise Director. No real details or war stories from the "inside." The tips are helpful but I wouldn't call them "essential." It would definitely make a thoughtful Bon Voyage gift for someone going on a cruise, though! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good cruise handbook By Mena Have cruised several times before, however thought it would not hurt to review things to keep updated or if we missed something. Plus my parents were taking a cruise for first time, so shared the book with them also. Lots of helpful information! For the price I would say it was worth it. Reminder in the book on packing cannot be stressed enough and is so true. (Pack less, you don't need that much stuff) I liked the fact that the person writing the book has some years of experience. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. An Essential Accessory By A Customer Jim West's little book may be pint-sized but it packs a whopping amount of practical information. Even old salts can learn new tricks and, as a veteran of over two dozen cruises, I found his thoughtfully presented insights to be an excellent reminder of why I love cruise ships and voyages at sea. This cruising guide should be tucked into every cruise passenger's document package. I heartily recommend it to anyone contemplating their first cruise.

This compact collection of cruise wisdom holds everything you need to know for a perfect vacation at sea. Jim West has logged millions of nautical miles as a cruise director and doles out the answers to cruise questions with wit and style. This new edition includes two new chapters with tips directed toward cruises in the Caribbean and Alaska.

.com This smart little book offers helpful advice both for those embarking on their first cruise as well as salty veterans. The Essential Little Cruise Book covers everything from how to choose a cruise that's right for you, picking a travel agent and cabin, what to bring, cruise etiquette, and how to cure sea sickness: "Old-fashioned cures that sailors have sworn by: If you do begin to feel sick, go outside, look at the horizon, and stay in the middle section of the ship. Also, eat some dry crackers or bread sticks, and stay away from liquids." With more than 500 cruises under his belt as a cruise director, author Jim West provides insight and tips that can greatly improve a cruise vacation. "A very practical book with sound information for everyone, from people planning their first exciting cruise adventure to hardened travel agents." --Sir Edmund Hillary "Cruisers will find noteworthy nuggets in The Essential Little Cruise Book by veteran cruise director Jim West." --New York Post "Nuggets of wisdom from a veteran cruise director ... a real charmer." --Chicago Tribune