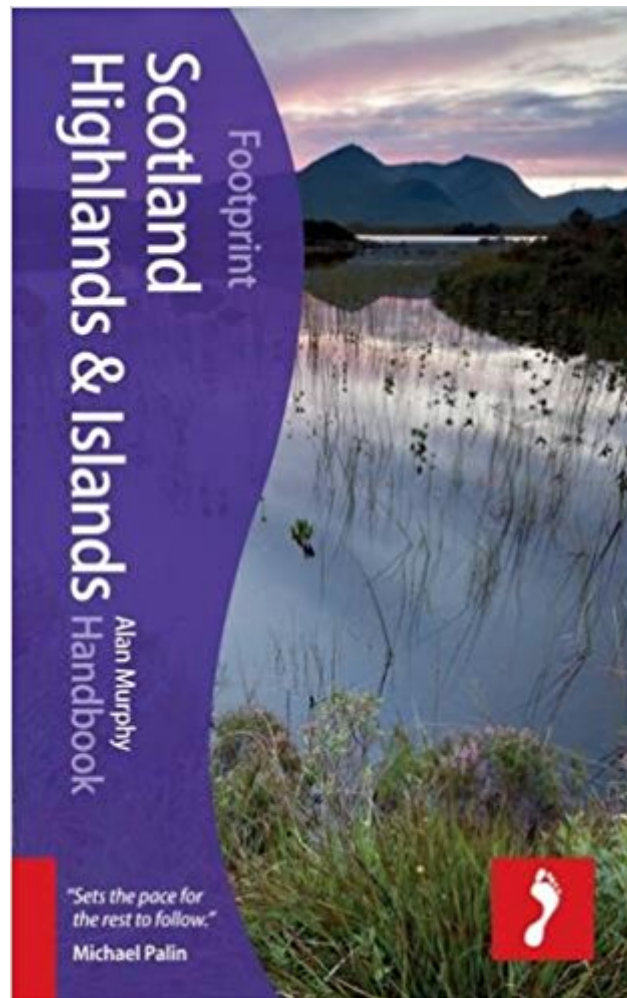




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Expert author Alan Murphy has travelled extensively throughout the highlands and islands of Scotland researching our new edition. Comprehensive coverage of all the regions attractions, from the Paps of Jura to the Old Man of Hoy. Extensive, reliable listings and advice to help you choose the right B&B, restaurant, or tour guide. In-depth background section to help you understand the country's history, culture, people and politics.

When Alan Murphy upped sticks and left the fleshpots of Dundee to start his own seaweed-collecting business on a remote island croft, many saw it as a cry for kelp. But Alan not only survived several bleak Hebridean winters, he went on to found a sanctuary for wayward seal pups and devoted the next 10 years of his life to working with young stray marine mammals. Later, following a chance encounter with the editor of Footprint's South American Handbook in a sleazy salsa bar in Soho, London, Alan turned his hand to travel writing, trading the rain swept peat moors of northern Scotland for the steamy jungles of South America to research and write Footprint guides to Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador and Venezuela. But the pull of his homeland was too strong and Alan eventually returned to Scotland to write new Footprint guides to Scotland, Edinburgh, Glasgow and Scotland Highlands & Islands. Alan now resides in the bohemian Somerset market town of Frome with his wife and three children.

Great travel ideas for keeping off the beaten path and exploring the non-touristy areas(Loch Ness, I'm looking at you). Plus, it is small and easy to take with you. I love the small maps of walks/hikes in the different areas of the highlands - we used this feature quite a bit. It is a well-written guide with a good sense of humor and thoughtfulness to these beautiful locations. Definitely recommend this guide!

Got this for an upcoming trip to Scotland. It's useful and the size would be handy for packing, but I find the print small and difficult to read. If you don't have a problem with small print, it will be fine for you.

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