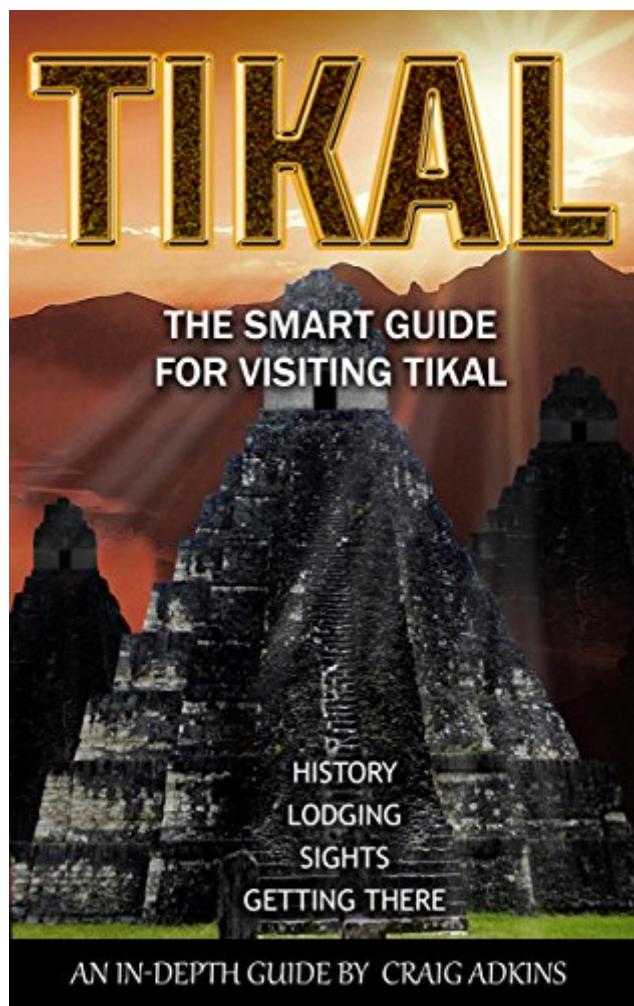


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Tikal Smart Guide: The 2017 In-Depth Guide For Visitors To Tikal, Guatemala



Synopsis

New 2017 updated guide to visiting Tikal, Guatemala containing over 50 new pages of content. See why this comprehensive book is the number one selling travel guide dedicated exclusively to Tikal! Some of the topics covered include:- Review of all lodgings inside of the archaeological park.- How to find and pick a guide.- History of Tikal.- Location of restrooms, food, and water inside the park.- Transportation and getting there.- How to conserve energy, such as riding the "secret bus" inside the park.- Other things to do in the area.- Map of the park.- Places to eat.- What to bring.- The museums.- Advice for first time travelers.- The basics of visas, electricity, medicine, mobile phone usage, language, crime, and money.- How to neutralize weather, insects and other possible nuisances that may interfere with the visit. - Shopping.- Animal and plant life.- Photography.- Planning the trip and things to think about.- When to visit.- Other things to do in Guatemala related to Tikal.- Details and unique insight into the causeways (ancient roads of Tikal), the stunning Great Plaza, the maze-like acropolises, the temples and pyramids, and the various complexes and building groups.- Numerous insider tips.- Bonus section on the colonial town of Antigua, Guatemala, covering places to stay, eat, and visit! This book is written by, and includes first hand recommendations by Craig Adkins, an historian and seasoned traveler who has actually experienced Tikal multiple times. Adkins has traveled to dozens of Maya sites, and is considered one of the leading authorities on visiting the Maya of today, and the ancient Maya civilizations of the past.

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Customer Reviews

I got this guide for a visit to Tikal that we just completed. As we saw each of the temples, complexes, etc. I would read aloud what it had to say. I read it before I went as well. Since I have it on my Kindle it was easy to carry. I wish I had had it before we chose which hotel in the park to reserve. One thing I would recommend. The author recommends wearing long pants while in the park. Good advice for the times of year when there are lots of mosquitoes. We visited in mid April and were told that few mosquitoes are out then and found that to be true. We did use some repellent. I did not wear long pants. It is very hot and humid and I am very glad I didn't wear long pants - in fact we joked about our "death march" through Tikal. Don't count on using a map from the book as it is a link to another guidebook. Very good maps are available at the park. I had to laugh at the advice about bringing a battery operated fan as power is seldom on in the park hotels. Great if you are able to bring one but how do you bring one in a suitcase on an airplane?

This short e-book guidebook to Tikal is on point and useful. We are planning to go to Tikal in February so I will be referring to this guidebook again.

Tikal is an amazing site and Adam's book is a practical, personal guide as well as a history. He has clearly been there! We opted for a very early (3:45 am departure) guided sunrise tour--which we couldn't have accomplished alone--leaving from Remate. Watching and listening as the jungle awakens, from the top of a temple, is a memorable experience. The book helped us prepare and gave us an appreciation for the site, which is expansive!

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