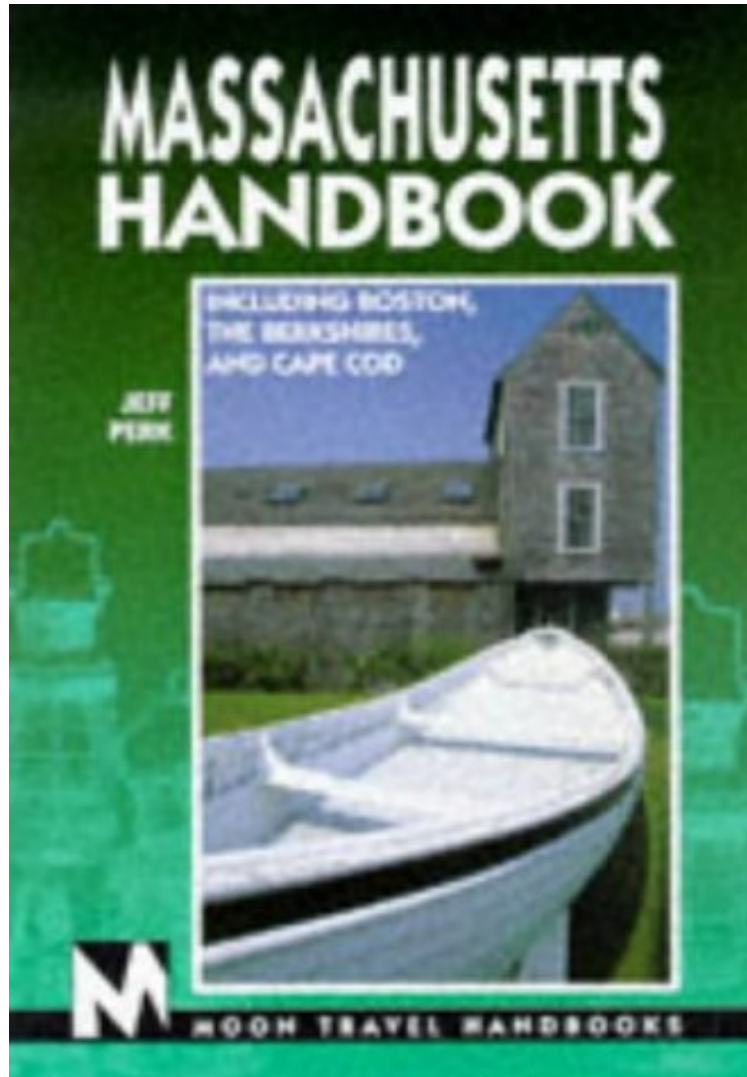


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Jeff Perk : Moon Handbooks Massachusetts before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Moon Handbooks Massachusetts:

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. The best Massachusetts guide since the WPA series By A Customer Last year before out-of-state family arrived, I bought the Massachusetts Handbook and wowed my Kansas siblings with information on my adopted state. Perk does a terrific job with the historical, cultural, and literary past of Massachusetts but he is also great on the scenic areas and natural history. In fact without this book some of the state's best parks, the Reservations, are almost impossible to find. Anyone traveling around the state hoping to eat reasonably well and inexpensively will find this book indispensable. I also like the way the book focuses on areas of the state,

making the planning of weekend trips easy. He also writes very well and whole passages are great for reading aloud so that the driver can be informed by the passenger of either current or up-coming sights. The Handbook now permanently resides in a pocket of my car so that either intentional or unintentional travel around the state can call on Perk's expert guidance.

1 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Author provides a disservice to local commerce

By A Customer

As a local business owner in Ispwich, MA, I was startled to read Mr. Perk's description of our scenic coastal town. Being a native and 30 year resident, I can say that Mr. Perk's description of "trash in the river" has never been observed by me! As far as his comments about the lack of restaurants, he must not have looked very far. yes, we have our share of takeout palces, but we also have a wonderful Mediterranean restaurant, charming Italian eatery, great pub fare, and seafood galore. Perhaps mr. Perk should have slowed down when he drove through town before writing his review?

Comments regarding the lack of retail establishments were also unfounded. There are several destination shops in the center of town and dozens more along Routes 1A/133. From a 3rd generation jeweler, fun toy store, and antiques, to my own card gift shop, the businesses in town are wonderful establishemnts and deserve better treatment than Mr. Perk offers. It's obvious that he did not spend time in each community before writing this book.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Handy Handbook to Massachusetts

By Beth Mohan

When I moved to Rhode Island, I was looking for a good travel book for MA. and my sister bought me this book. I use it on my excursions throughout MA. and have found it to be extremely informative and interesting. Jeff writes not only about the major tourist draws but also some hidden attractions that have proved to be worth the visit. So far I have explored Cape Cod, Plymouth and Gloucester and used this book to find good restaurants and accomodations. After using mostly AAA travel guides for my vacations, I was glad to use this book to get a fresh and honest opinion of the different areas and attractions. I also very much relied on Jeff's knowledge of the towns I visited to educate myself and whomever accompanied me on my travels the history and trivia of these towns. It is a fun and comprehensive book about MA. to own!

Jeff Perks has produced the only general travel guide devoted to the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as well as offering a historical and cultural background to this famous region in New England. '