

Traveling...Like Everybody Else: A Practical Guide for Disabled Travelers

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Jacqueline Freedman, Susan Gersten : Traveling...Like Everybody Else: A Practical Guide for Disabled Travelers before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Traveling...Like Everybody Else: A Practical Guide for Disabled Travelers:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Two StarsBy St. Louis ShopperMostly common sense, not new information.5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Disabled People Travel Too! Somebody knows It!By Stephanie LeeThis is a slightly dated travel book (1987) aimed specifically at the disabled traveler. There is lots of good information to be had here, from what to pack to year-round temperatures around the world. There are sections on Airline Services for Disabled Passengers, hotels and transportation, Health and Travel, Tours for the Disabled, and appendices on everything from Access Information in the U.S. and foreign currencies, and clothing sizes for shopping, to Visas and traveler vocabulary tips. (Simple phrases translated into many languages.) There are even directions for making your own Passport and Visa Bag, to wear around your neck!Because I traveled a great deal before I became disabled, I was most eager to read things like "Where to rent an Electric Disability Scooter abroad." Well, there was no mention of that sort of mobility assistive technology. That will have to wait for the next edition of the book.

From Library Journal Using Gersten's experiences traveling in a wheel chair, the authors offer practical advice to help disabled people travel successfully. In a concise, encouraging manner, they discuss the need for a companion and the mechanics of getting one. In reviewing health issues, they cover diet, climates, packing, toilets, special problems relevant to different types of transportation, etc. Although this book is very positive and detailed in terms of personalized travel advice, other guides offer similar information. Most will find Frances Barish's Frommer's A Guide for the Disabled Traveler (LJ 8/84) more comprehensive. For libraries with a large audience of disabled patrons. Carolyn I. Alexander, CDEC Technical Information Ctr., Fort Ord, Cal. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc.