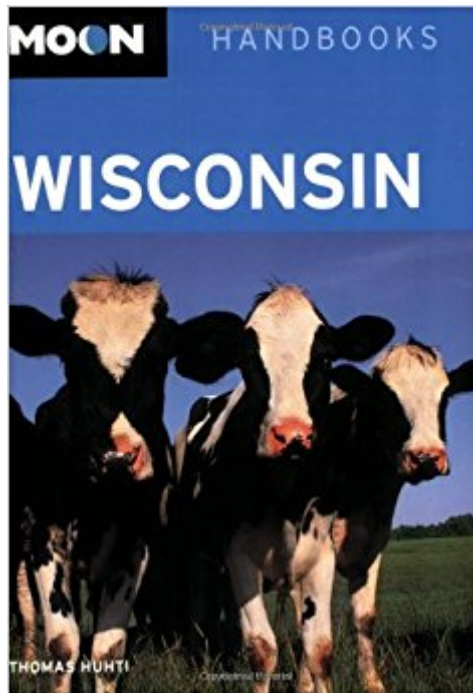




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Synopsis

Born-and-bred "Cheesehead" Thomas Huhti offers an insider's view of Wisconsin, from the bars and pubs of Madison to the beaches and water parks of the Wisconsin Dells. Thomas is a perfect tour guide, providing unique trip ideas such as a Wisconsin Outdoors Adventure and a Frank Lloyd Wright Tour. Packed with information on dining, transportation, and accommodations, Moon Wisconsin has lots of options for a range of travel budgets. Every Moon guidebook includes recommendations for must-see sights and many regional, area and city-centered maps. With advice on dining in Milwaukee and exploring the scenic lakeside towns of Door County, Moon Wisconsin gives travelers the tools they need to create a more personal and memorable experience. With expert writers, first-rate strategic advice, and an essential dose of humor, Moon Handbooks are the cure for the common trip.

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"The latest in the batch of Moon Handbooks releases proves again that Moon is one of the finest travel series around. What sets Moon apart from most guidebooks is the attention to detail, and more importantly, a respect for the topic." --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Thomas Huhti is a born and bred "Cheesehead." He developed a serious case of anywhere-but-here at a young age, which took him to China during university. He stayed there,

finding ways to flee graduate school, which ultimately led to a five-year stint traveling the globe and living out of a backpack. At a certain point, homesickness hit him like a hammer; he realized he bled Badger red and understood where "home" was. Trouble was, he didn't really know what that meant. After Moon bravely took him on, he thus began the four-year pilgrimage about the state (and to libraries), researching the first edition tome, mostly done as a labor of love and as a gift to his parents, worthy Badgers both. He still has itchy feet and continues to research and write guidebooks for countries throughout Asia. Thomas Huhti lives in Madison, WI with his co-pilot Yuki and navigator Bobo.

I bought this book to help me to some travel research for a photo trip that I was planning. While that trip got postponed, I ended up spending a lot of time with this book just because I discovered so much that I didn't know about Wisconsin. This book is just packed with information and it's all delivered in an extremely interesting and readable way. In fact, I will go out on a limb and say it's one of the best-written travel guides that I've read in a very long time (and I'm a travel writer by profession). The author, Thomas Huhti, obviously knows and loves Wisconsin and I found myself reading about places I'd never heard of before. I don't know if the author had a staff helping him research the text, but he did a fantastic job of research and organization--and I'm not sure it's a job I'd ever welcome taking on. A *lot* of work went into this book. (And no, I don't know the author, lol.) I loved the small reference to the fur trade helping to build cities, and how fishing seems to be such a large part of the state's recreational history. My only disappointment in the book is that other than a small section up front, all of the photos are in black and white. I would love to see a lot more color photography. There are lots of small maps, too, and they are simple and easy to use--clear maps being a rarity in a lot of travel guides. If I was heading to Wisconsin (and I hope I am soon), I'd be thrilled to have this book along. By the way, I find it almost impossible to believe that the publisher has allowed this book to go out of print--perhaps they are planning an update.

I bought this for my parents along with a new Garmin GPS unit for their retirement. My mom told me she likes how it's set-up and found ideas for day trips that she didn't know about. I paged through it before I wrapped it up and it did look like a really helpful book. Yes, you can get the same info from the internet, but sometimes you just want a book that you can refer to. Based on my mom's feedback and having paged through it, it seems to be a great book for planning long weekend trips or one day road trips in Wisconsin.

This guide was helpful on a trip to Wisconsin. I love that part of the country. We spent some time in Milwaukee and the rest of the time in Madison. I was impressed with both cities. I didn't see enough and would love to go back sometime.

I bought this book for my father who is nearly 84 years old and a life-long Wisconsin resident, as a way to stimulate his imagination about places to see that are close to home. Sure, the handbook provides a lot of obscure facts. As a native of the state, however, some very interesting aspects of the history seem to be glossed over. About a decade ago, I used a Moon Handbook when traveling overseas (Bali in particular) and was absolutely amazed at the detail all of which was factual as far as I could tell.... cultural, social, and economic facts that even the native population did not know. I can't say the same about this volume. It is a good start, however, and like everyone who loves to hunt for mushrooms or go fishing knows, they aren't going to tell you the best places to go. Even if you are family, sometimes.

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