

Introduction to Wikivoyage



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Wikivoyage – Quick Facts



- Wikivoyage is a free web-based travel guide for travel destinations and travel topics written by volunteer authors
- It is a sister project of Wikipedia and supported and hosted by the same non-profit Wikimedia- Foundation (WMF)
- Wikivoyage has been called the “Wikipedia of travel guides”
 - Wikivoyage initially started as Wikitravel in 2003

Wikitravel – Quick Facts



- Wikitravel is a web-based collaborative travel guide based on the wiki model and owned by Internet Brands
- It was most active from 2003 through 2012, when most of its editing community left and brought their contributions to the nonprofit Wikivoyage guide
- Wikivoyage came into existence with the German and Italian version on 10 Dec. 2006
 - The English Wikivoyage started on 15 Jan. 2013
- Among the Indic languages Wikivoyage exists in Bengali and Hindi

Wikitravel vs Wikivoyage



Wikitravel

- Not part of Wikimedia Foundation
 - Shows advertisement

Wikivoyage

- Part of Wikimedia Foundation
 - Shows no advertisement

Wikipedia vs Wikivoyage



Wikipedia

- Citation required
- Can be on any encyclopedic topic
- Broader coverage beyond travel
 - No banner

Wikivoyage

- No citation required
- Only on travel topics
- Coverage only on travel
 - Banner



Types of articles in Wikivoyage

1. Destination
2. Itinerary
3. Travel Topic
4. Phrase book

Types of Destinations



- Continent
 - Sections of Continent
 - Countries
 - Regions within country
- Cities / Towns / National Parks
 - Districts with large cities

Types of Itineraries



- Treks
 - Road Trips
 - Luxury Trains
- Popular tourist circuit

Types of Travel Topic



- Visa and entry procedure
 - Festivals
 - Concerns and safety
- Travelling with children
- Working and volunteering

Phrase Book



Introduction to different language with travel related phrases

Wikivoyage Banner



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