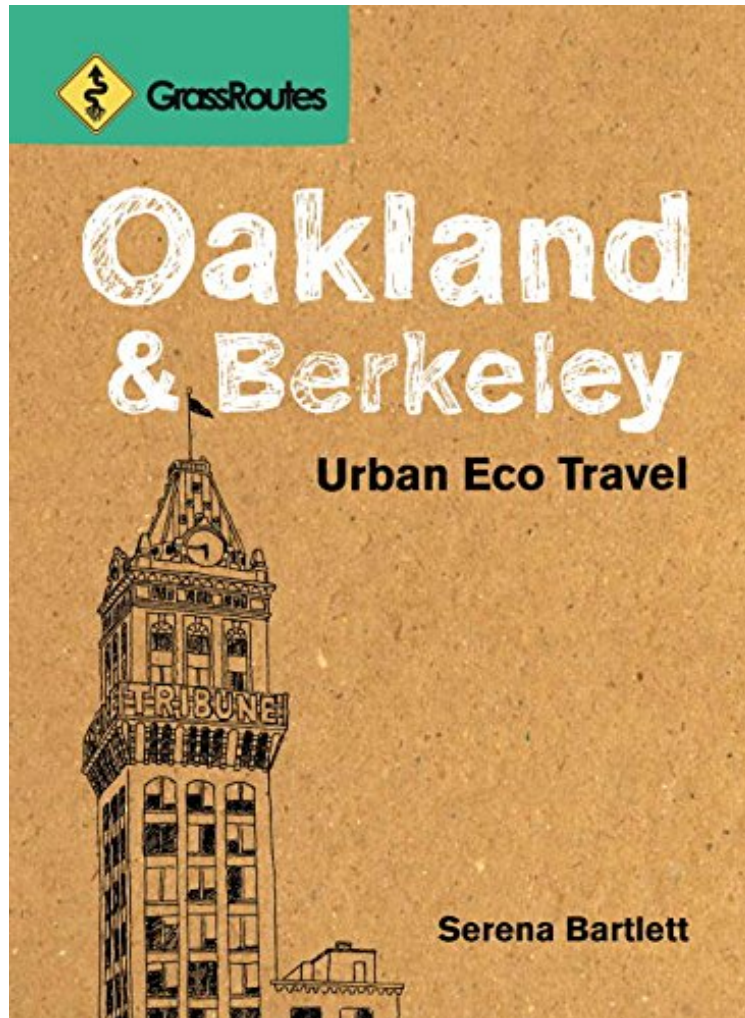


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About the Author The founder of GrassRoutes Travel, Serena Bartlett grew up in New York City and traveled the world before settling in Oakland, CA.