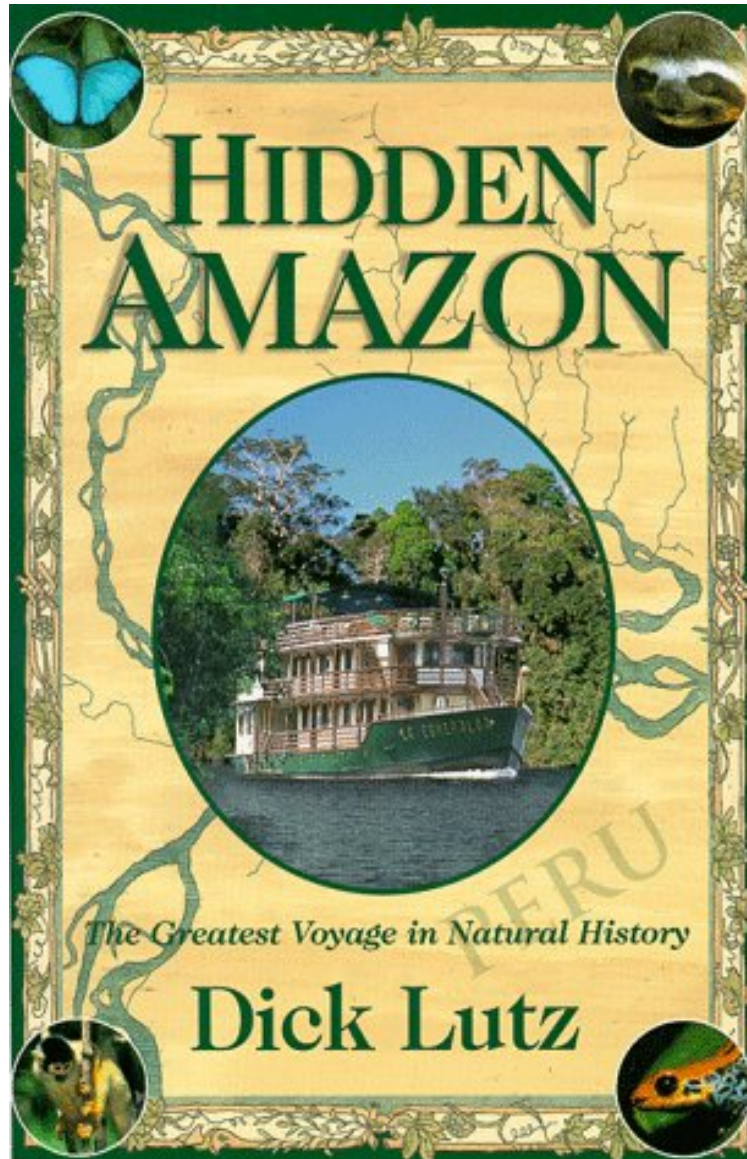


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is another of Dick Lutz's natural history travelogues that mix his experiences on tours with abundant information about the natural and human history of the area he's touring. It's hard to tell if these are pure books about the author's experience or a literary embellishment of the tour company's promotional material and Guidebook for Tour Guides. Readers will learn about the expedition on the tour company's boat—a journal about Our Experiences for the Folks Back Home—and the natural history of this precious rain forest environment. It's a combination of postcards to those who couldn't make the trip and a good high school course or college course in applied biology. This book contains some pictures, with credits to the author's wife and to the tour company, but no explanations of what the pictures are. One gets the feeling of looking at a hastily-assembled scrapbook. If you're interested in what a tour of the Peruvian might be like, you'll gain some insights from this work. 12 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Accurate, concise, enlightening and fun to read. By A Customer As someone who has been to the many times, I found this book by Dick Lutz to be accurate in its historical content, natural history data and cultural information. The book is based on an "eco-tourism" experience and thus gives the reader a first-hand look into the programming and practices of tour companies that work to conserve natural resources by creating local economic incentives for the preservation of wildlife habitats as "attractions" to international travelers. I would recommend this book to people who desire to travel to remote a natural habitat such as the , to learn as much as they can while there and to minimize their impact on the local environment. Hidden contains a section with color pictures, too, which includes shots by wildlife photographer extraordinaire-- Mason Fischer. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. It is OK. By E. Fortune If you plan to travel on one of the FLOTELS that operate out of Iquitos, this book will give you a pretty good idea of what to expect. It recounts much of what the guides will explain to you on your tour, and has some details of the Author's particular tour. There are a bunch of factual errors in the book, which is annoying but not damning. I was hoping for a more detailed description of the experience from a more experienced writer. Instead it is a light treatment of the journey. Well enough written and generally OK.

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From Booklist Lutz is an advocate of expeditions into the Peruvian section of the basin, positing that such trips provide income for indigenous people dwelling there as well as provide valuable financial resources that help save areas of the rain forest. His narrative follows his journeys by river and by land to the Canopy Walkway via International Expeditions, Inc., a company that contributes funds to the Center for Environmental Education and Research. As he wonders at the 's flora and fauna, Lutz's straightforward journal offers an enthusiastic account of this magical and mysterious region, discussing sights, sounds, and natural history in some detail. Encouraging the reader to consider a similar trip, Lutz stresses the fine level of comfort provided by the expedition, allowing one to travel through the alien, remote landscape while basically protected from harm's way. Alice Joyce