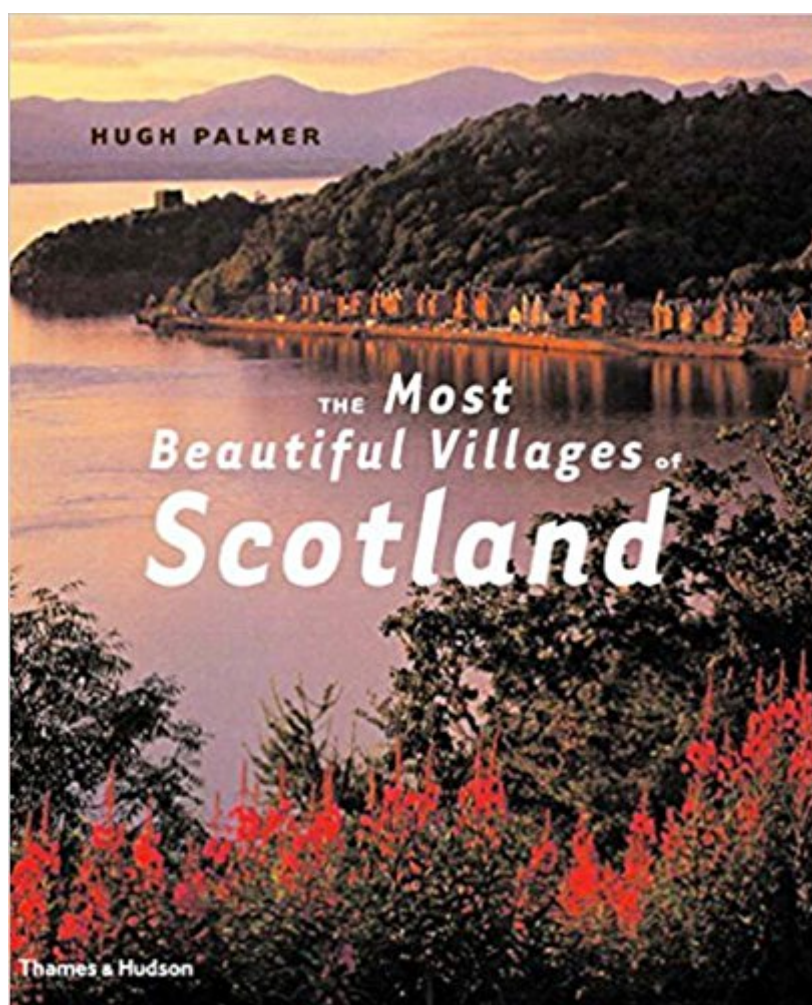


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The Most Beautiful Villages Of Scotland



Synopsis

An unprecedented treasure trove of delightful villages from the land of mist and mystery, of hidden glens and peaceful lochs. In the dramatic landscapes of Scotland, beloved of Romantic poets and composers, lies a wealth of delightful villages, here revealed in Hugh Palmer's evocative photographs and commentaries. The traditional architecture and stunning natural settings of the Highland villages have long proved an attraction to visitors. Some of the most picturesque are former fishing villages, like Auchmithie, from which the herring fleet has long since departed, leaving the splendid harbor to the contemplation of visitors and a couple of lobster boats. Lowland villages often have an air of quiet, well-ordered prosperity. Rows of stone cottages and a fantastic profusion of hanging baskets make places like Luss on Loch Lomond a charming stop on the road north. Here, too, is the extraordinary Dean Village—a complete, self-contained community surrounded by the city of Edinburgh. And among the many ravishing port-villages on the Islands is the little gem of Tobermory on Mull, where the reflection of a main street of brightly painted houses shimmers in the waters of the harbor. Altogether, thirty-five villages are included. Special sections on the Scottish castle and the monuments of the country's Celtic past round out the account, making this beautiful book one of the most complete pictures of rural Scotland in recent years. A Travelers' Guide listing places to visit, to stay, and to eat helps the reader to enjoy even more a visit to the Scottish Highlands, Lowlands, and Islands. 250 full-color photographs

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Customer Reviews

Hugh Palmer is one of Britain's leading photographers of architecture and gardens. His books include The Most Beautiful Villages of Greece, The Most Beautiful Villages of Provence, and The Most Beautiful Villages of Ireland.

I wish I had purchased this sumptuous book BEFORE my trip to Scotland, because I would have altered my itinerary! The pictures are artfully photographed, and every page is printed on glossy photo-quality paper. It is an over-sized book at 10"x12" (25.5x31.5 cm). The photos are large, often crossing over the center fold of the book, which allows a lot of detail. Of the book's 208 pages, the last 9 are a Traveller's Guide, listing regional tourist information centers as well as suggested places to eat and lodge, all conveniently grouped according to region.

Bought this as a gift for my mother. The photos are crisp and lovely in color. The format of the book is well done. Of all the photos I have seen of Scotland, this is the nicest collection I have come across. Recommended!

Gave this as a gift to a friend who would love to travel but do to her age and obligations is unable to do so. She loved it! The pictures were outstanding and made you feel like you were there walking through the villages. A great coffee table book and a great gift for someone who would like to go there but simply cannot.

Quality of pics are obviously dated compared to what we are used to now. But this includes a lot of history on each location and I enjoyed reading it.

Lovely book to remember places we had seen, and plan for our next trip.

My brother-in-law, a Scot of great pride and wisdom, received this book as a Christmas present from our family. He loves the beautiful photos, which bring back many childhood memories of his great heritage and beautiful landscapes of many years ago. Very glad I purchased this for him and I would recommend for anyone with a Scottish connection or if you are interested in traveling abroad.

Gorgeous photos in a well-made book!

Hugh Palmer's "The Most Beautiful Villages of Scotland" is a coffee table-type book providing short photographic essays on approximately 35 very attractive Scottish villages. The photography is absolutely stunning; the accompanying narrative provides a sense of what might be unique and interesting about each selected village. Many villages, for example, contain unique styles or mixtures of styles of architecture. Some others may contain an ancient castle or are located in the wild highlands. The villages themselves are broadly representative of the Scottish Lowlands, Highlands, and Islands. There is a short section on travel information at the end. This is not your typical travel information book in that it is not meant to provide the basis for planning a vacation in Scotland. It may be useful to the traveler who is already familiar with Scotland and looking for new and different places to visit. It may also be useful as a book of memories for those fortunate enough to visit some of the remarkable locations depicted in the book. This book is recommended to those who cherish their memories of rural Scotland, and to those who want to build some memories.

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