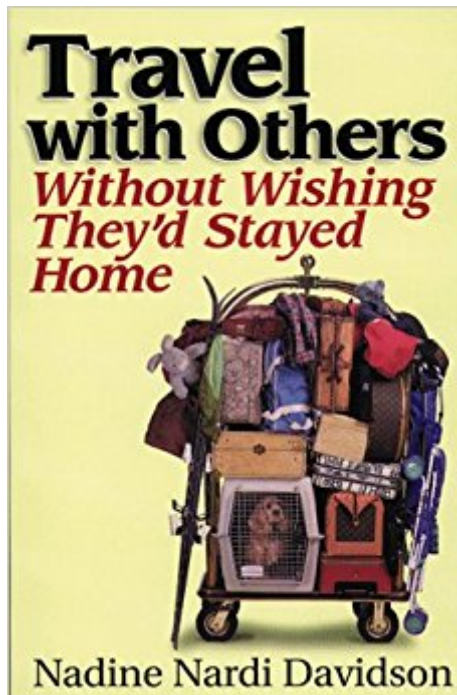




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# Travel With Others: Without Wishing They'd Stayed Home



## Synopsis

An invaluable survival guide for anyone planning to travel with someone else, whether it be a spouse, friend, lover, boss, children or pets. Travel expert and veteran Nadine Nardi Davidson reveals the secrets of stress-free vacations and business trips."

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Nadine Nardi Davidson lives in Los Angeles, California. She has spent 25 years as a travel consultant and is the author of two previous travel guides to California. Her articles have been published in the Christian Science Monitor, San Francisco Chronicle, Bridal Guide and Woman's World."

If you are not a seasoned traveller do read this book. I've been travelling since I was a few days old, so I cannot say I learned much, but I read the whole book because Ms. Davidson is a delightful writer. She gives lots of good examples of negotiating with others in order to make your travel(s)

enjoyable for all. Chapters are divided according to travelling companions: spouse, lover, friend, children (by age and your own vs others' children), bosses.... She even covers travelling alone. It is a bit dated (film!, Elder Hostel is now Road Scholar), but negotiating where to go, what to eat, disciplining/entertaining children, are all timeless. You could study "Getting to Yes", but her examples are a lot easier to absorb and use.

Ms. Davidson has collected travel horror stories from her years as a travel agent then lured us into reading (and buying) her book with a funny little title. With mostly high schoolish style we found the book itself did not live up to the cleverness of the title. Save your money and take your friends out for an ice cream cone on your next trip.

Can traveling really be hazardous to relationships? Are there people you would never travel with or dread traveling with on vacations? Then this book might present a few creative solutions. Nadine Nardi Davidson has spent 27 years as a travel consultant and in this time she has assisted many travelers from age 9 to 90. In this book she finally shares all her travel insights and secret tips for staying sane while traveling. In this entertaining book you will discover: The Nine Travel Types (You might find you are a little of each, but one will be dominant and it does seem that "shopper" and "culturist" seemed familiar.) Nadine mentions that you might be a combination of travel types. Travel Etiquette when Traveling with your Employer or Business Colleagues How to Survive Traveling with Your Friends, Spouse, Pet, Relatives, In-Laws and Kids The Honeymoon (If there is a hurricane on the way in, leave no matter what your husband says. Ha, ha. ) What to do when your teenager falls in love while you are on vacation What to do when you take your child's friend along on your vacation Nadine's writing style is comforting, often humorous and always a pleasure to read. This is one of the most interesting books on travel I've read to date. There are concepts in this book I would never have even considered. On my last trip I used her idea about limiting my wardrobe to one or two basic colors. That would be black clothes as a basic and therefore all shoes could be black too, etc. Nadine is right about packing toiletries. They can truly take longer to pack than your clothes. Throughout the book you will find real-life stories that are often humorous and always entertaining. This is an insiders view of travel and this book is filled with practical advice. You will also find travel checklists, information on special airline meals, making a traveler's medical kit and packing tips for trips of 7-21 days. May I also suggest: Smart Packing by Susan Foster. Whether you are traveling to visit family for the holidays or traveling overseas, this book is an essential guide to enjoying your next vacation or business trip. ~The Rebecca Review

Attention travelers-to-be: help yourselves now! But haven't you? After all, you've made the reservations, found a kennel for the furry child, bought everything that can possibly come in mini-size, squeezed an extra day off out of the boss, and, of course, have decided who has been chosen to travel with you. What could you have possibly failed to consider? Sadly, the obvious. It's your travel companion(s). Have you really considered the pros and cons of traveling with that special person(s)? Probably not. Huge mistake. Your only salvation now is to rewind the travel preparations and immediately pick up a copy of Nadine Nardi Davidson's "Travel With Others Without Wishing They'd Stayed Home." This marvelous book is chock-full of essential advice for nearly every type of travel situation. Through the use of clear and simple recommendations, witty real-life stories, and personal experience, Davidson has created the New Commandments for all travelers. Whether you are traveling with a spouse, a lover, a friend, your boss, children, family members, or by yourself, Davidson has identified the advantages and disadvantages of traveling with particular people. Her humorous true stories lend credence to the facts of choosing the wrong travel companion. So if you're about to embark on a honeymoon, business trip, annual family roadtrip, or quick romantic getaway, do yourself a favor: read this book and save yourself the pain of having chosen the wrong travel companion. By: Julia Mezhinsky

I have traveled most of my life and lived in a number of countries outside the US - there are some things you can only appreciate with experience, and Ms. Davidson definitely delivers both practical tips and a sense of humor. Many books put out there are just dry how-to, but she mixes what sound like real life horror stories (and some happy endings too) with both practical advice and her 9 travel types. We had a lot of fun discovering why we don't always get along - and what to do to bridge that! I have suggested this book to all my friends (and relatives.) She's created something innovative and clever that's still accessible to everyone. I think the best part is that you really have to have a sense of openness and humor when it comes to travel or it will be you who ends up left at home!

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