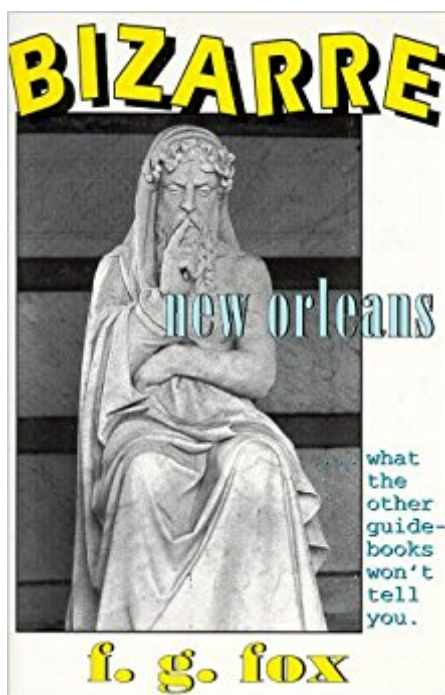


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Do not buy this book if you are looking for a typical tourist guide. This book covers the places that most books tell you to avoid.

New Orleans is one of the most fascinating places on earth and, as such, is deserving of a richly-detailed, loving guide to its mysteries and truly bizzare aspects. Instead, F.G. Fox has tossed off a barely useful collection of facts that serve no use as a guidebook and deserves no notice as an addition to the fine collection of guidebooks that DO exist, like "New Orleans on the Half Shell", or the Compass guide. Even "Haunted City" is better than this. Fox is author and self-publisher of the fun and quirky "Funky Butt Blues".

i'm one of those native new orleanians who is very passionate about this city, and i know it like the back of my hand. our city's history and cultural heritage in music and literature is especially rich, and

you won't find a more eccentric, strange and beautiful city in all the world. i'm sure lots of books can give tourists generalized history lessons and nice color coded maps of the city - this one won't. but this is the one book i found indispensable in my own detailed, off the beaten path explorations of my own city. all the guidebooks will tell you where tennessee williams lived in the french quarter - but only this one gave me the address of walker percy's old haunt in my very own neighborhood, or directions to the exact plot in the cemetery where gram parsons (of the byrds & flying burrito brothers) is buried, and the quirky story that goes with that tidbit of information. though maybe not ideal for the casual tourist, this book is for anyone who really wants to get to know new orleans on a much deeper level.

As a native to Louisiana I found this book wonderful. Granted it doesn't give you pages full of details on each Bizarre place in New Orleans but it gives you enough to keep it fun and interesting, especially on a day trip. For someone who is going to spend some time in New Orleans this would be a perfect book to take with you.

"Bizarre New Orleans" offers visitors a side not apparent to the guidebooks, telling tourists what they REALLY want to know. Including directions, tips and recommendations, it's an insider's view of the Crescent City, made easy.

This book is great for those who crave something different. It was entertaining. A romantic, and exciting city, even with all its problems.

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