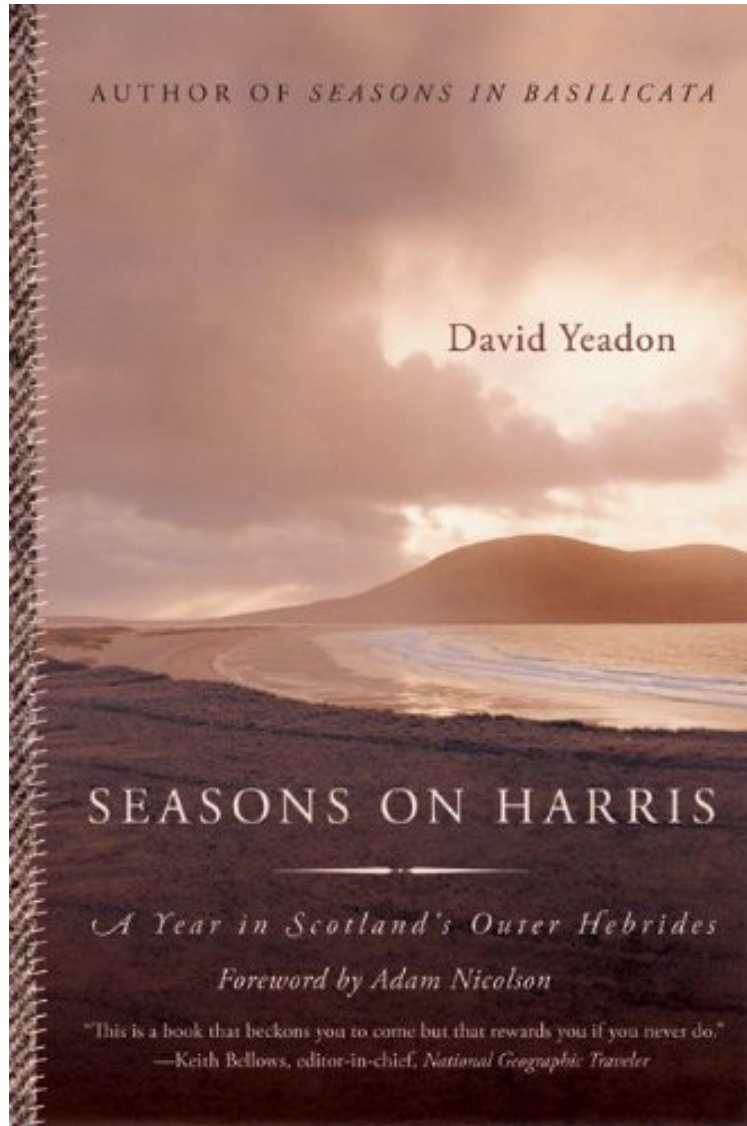


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**David Yeadon : Seasons on Harris: A Year in Scotland's Outer Hebrides** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Seasons on Harris: A Year in Scotland's Outer Hebrides:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Nice read By florida This isn't literature but is a nice, easy read about Harris in the Outer Hebrides. While there are parts of the book, brief as they were, that I didn't like all-in-all it was very enjoyable. The best judge of a book is whether you're sorry when it's done as I was with this. I have to say that I admire David Yeadon for managing to make a living by living and writing about fascinating places I'll never get to

see.13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Patience pays off with fine sense of the HebridesBy CustomerBy the end I loved this book, but it is slow going in the beginning, and keeps to a very leisurely pace clear through. Mr. Yeadon does a fine job of describing many of the more notable characters in the area, and a superb job of describing this most beautiful of locations. I had just returned from Scotland when I read this book, and it made me want to hop right back on the plane, regardless of airport hassles, and return. However this is not a book for people looking for a tourist guide. More a meditation on the slow but rich life in the Outer Hebrides. Hence the pace of the book matches the pace of living described within.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful wonderful wonderful bookBy Karen CappelloWonderful wonderful wonderful book. I have been to the isle of Harris and this book is so accurate and reminded me of how much I loved my visit there.

The Outer Hebrides of Scotland epitomize the evocative beauty and remoteness of island life. The most dramatic of all the Hebrides is Harris, a tiny island formed from the oldest rocks on earth, a breathtaking landscape of soaring mountains, wild lunarlike moors, and vast Caribbean-hued beaches. This is where local crofters weave the legendary Harris Tweed—a hardy cloth reflecting the strength, durability, and integrity of the life there. In *Seasons on Harris*, David Yeadon, "one of our best travel writers" (The Bloomsbury Review), captures, through elegant words and line drawings, life on Harris—the people, their folkways and humor, and their centuries-old Norse and Celtic traditions of crofting and fishing. Here Gaelic is still spoken in its purest form, music and poetry ceildh evenings flourish in the local pubs, and Sabbath Sundays are observed with Calvinistic strictness. Yeadon's book makes us care deeply about these proud islanders, their folklore, their history, their challenges, and the imperiled future of their traditional island life and beloved tweed.

From Publishers WeeklyEmploying a similar formula to that of his last book, *Seasons in Basilicata*, Yeadon recounts the year—2004, arranged by season—he spent with his wife, Anne, on Harris, a small island in the Outer Hebrides of Scotland famous for its remote beauty and home-loomed tweed. With a weave of islanders' loquacious stories and rural gossip into an overview of Hebridean history and the couple's own adventures exploring the area, this memoir is perfect for anyone considering a trip to the Outer Hebrides or tracing their ancestors back to its craggy coasts. Fans of the famous Harris Tweed will also find lots of tidbits about the history and current state of this ancient textile and the craft that creates it, and anyone interested in age-old customs waning in the world's hinterlands will find the island's contradictions poignant. At times, the book feels like that familiar traveler's sensation of having arrived home to find that the panoramic snapshot excitedly clicked in an exuberant moment of discovery is just a bit too small or personal. Yet, Yeadon hits high notes recounting history-laden conversations with locals who all have the Gaelic gift of gab, creating an altogether enjoyable read full of unique and likable people. (July) Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. "A delightful book." (Associated Press)"It's a pleasure to travel with him." (Washington Post)"Yeadon is one of our best travel writers." (Bloomsbury )"Yeadon leaves you pleasantly stuffed, slightly intoxicated and feeling warmer for the company." (Kathy Balog, USA Today)"Wonderful account" (June Sawyers, Philadelphia Inquirer)"This is a true traveler...who can make the most innocent encounter a memorable experience." (Ann Geracimos, Washington Times)"One of the best travel writers in the world." (Dolores Derrickson, Rocky Mountain News)"Leave it to Yeadon to choose one of the country's most overlooked provinces." (Pamela Paul, New York Times)"Delightful, with the odd twist to eerie." (Paul Carbray, The Gazette (Montreal))"A warm welcome to a balcony view of Aliano." (Albany Times Union)"A compelling book...that comes close to re-creating the place and the man." (David Citino, Columbus Dispatch)About the AuthorDavid Yeadon is the author of *Seasons in Basilicata* and the bestselling National Geographic Guide to the World's Secret Places. He has written, illustrated, and designed more than twenty books about traveling around the world. He lives with his wife, Anne, in Mohegan Lake, New York.