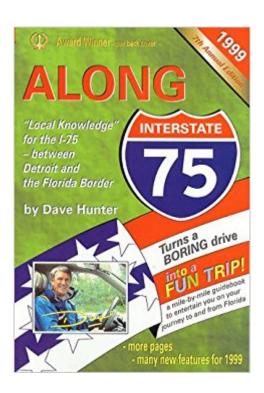


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# Along Interstate-75, 1999: The Local Knowledge Driving Guide For Interstate-75 Between Detroit And The Florida Border





# **Synopsis**

If you drive on any section of Interstate-75 anywhere between Detroit, Michigan and the Florida border, this book is an absolute MUST. Full of practical information and roadside stories, this mile-by-mile guidebook entertains you and your passengers on your journey - it turns a boring drive into a fun trip.

## **Book Information**

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# **Customer Reviews**

It is not often that a book comes with an expiration date, like a gallon of milk--but Hunter (Day Trips from Cincinnati) felt it would be worthwhile to include one--November 2000--in the eighth annual edition of his book. There is no denying that the interstate is constantly changing (this book contains over 500 changes to the 17th edition), but his information is not as perishable as he implies. Dense with information related to travel on this route, this book contains practical tips about tornado safety, local radio stations, and the location of speed traps. To have it in hand while planning or taking a trip between Detroit and Florida would be very valuable. Considering the number of "snowbirds" who make this jaunt, this could result in a lot of circulation for the book. Recommended for public libraries along the route. Genovese's The Great American Road Trip is a joy. Having surveyed the 2500 miles of route that some of us still refer to as the Boston Post Road, Genovese knows when to stop and when to keep driving. He takes time to introduce us to the people who run the sites and attractions along the way and not just show us the giant lobsters and the road kill cafes. Anyone familiar with the Post Road knows that this is a scenic route; you don't drive it if you are in a hurry. So take the time to sit back and enjoy the sights. Recommended for public and academic libraries

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Terrific resource and fun to use. This is the second edition of the book that I've purchased for a MI to FL drive. On both trips this book paid for itself not only through its useful information about location of gas stations, rest areas, speed traps, restaurants (including identifying those with playlands), tidbits of fun/interesting geographic information for the navigator to read aloud to pass the time, etc. but also for its "escape routes" that show the driver how to get off the highway and get around accidents. On each of our FL drives (several years apart), we had the bad luck of encountering complete closures of I-75 (the first due to a tanker rollover, the second due to an accident in a GA construction zone). We saved HOURS of sitting on the closed highway by confidently exiting miles ahead of where police were directing traffic off of I-75 and driving around the closures. Those two incidents easily "paid for" the book on those trips! I highly recommend this book.

Obviously a labor of love, this self-published volume will be our companion on our next trip from Michigan to Florida. One major issue I have as an accomplished map reader: the north to south pages are backwards! Yes, the book is designed so if you are traveling south holding the book in your lap, you'll find west on your right and east on your left; completely backwards! It took me a minute to get over that, but once I figured out what the author was trying to accomplish, I realized how brilliant this idea actually is. My beautiful and intelligent wife and navigator will be able to tell me, "it's on the right," or, "it's on the left," instead of trying to turn the map upside-down in an attempt to decipher west from east. I particularly enjoy the pictures of the cop cars that warn of speed traps.

I purchased this book for an upcoming trip to Florida. It has plenty of tips regarding which lane to stay in (for specific exits and interchanges); where the rest stops are, and how far to the next rest stop; which hotels, restaurants, and gas stations are at each exit; where to carefully watch your speed; and many local sight-seeing recommendations along with some history. I haven't made the drive yet, but it seems to have everything I expected - and then some. One note: I probably wasn't paying attention when I bought it, but this book stops at the Florida border, so it is useful from southern Michigan through Georgia. There is another book by the same author - which I haven't purchased yet - that covers interstates in Florida.

If I could give this book 10 stars I would. The amount of detail and information it has is just amazing. Dave Hunter and his wife, Kathy, have made the trip to Florida much more fun and interesting. You can plan ahead for side trips, rest areas, even what gas stations and restaurants are miles down the road. I had an earlier version, but it is a good idea to update every other year as things change so often along I75. Get this great little book and you will learn things, even if you have driven this route all your life, as I have. If you are planning a trip down to Florida via I75, this should be your first purchase

good supplier but be aware that this specific book does not have Florida included.

This book was a treasure trove of information and we read it from cover to cover on our way back from Florida. The special instructions for travel through Atlanta saves us a headache and the hotel information around Knoxville TN meant that we picked a good one when we knew an ice storm was coming. Would not travel I-75 without it.

This is a nice book to have if you are driving on I-75 for any prolonged period of time. But I can't help but be annoyed that it omits hundreds of miles of the freeway 1.) from Sault Ste Marie, Michigan, to Detroit, 2.) all around the Macon, GA area, and 3.)from the Georgia-Florida Border to Miami, FL.

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