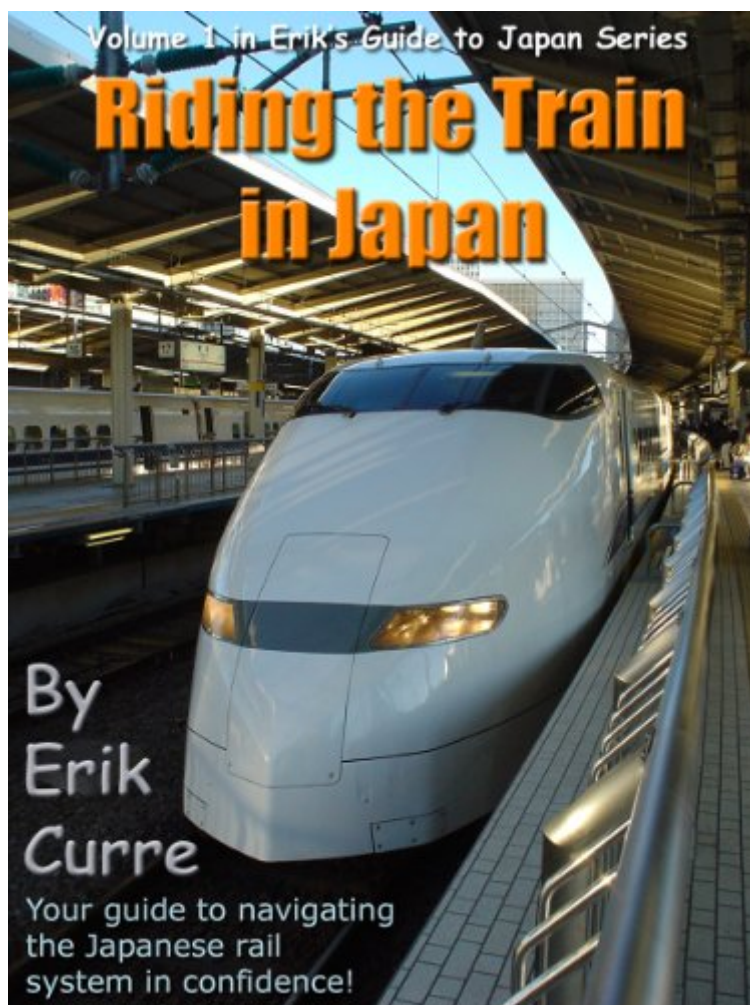


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Synopsis

The Japanese rail system is one of the modern wonders of the world. Trains connect every major city (and most minor ones) in Japan, and if you are visiting the country soon, chances are good you will end up riding one. Unfortunately, the sheer scope and size of the train network often makes it very confusing for first time visitors to get around. What better way to learn about Japan than getting advice from someone who lives there? Author Erik Curre is a long-time Tokyo resident and veteran rider of the Tokyo trains. In this short guide he shares with the reader all the bits of wisdom he has accumulated from years of daily commuting through some of the world's busiest train stations. Navigate the Japanese rail system in confidence after learning about the following subjects: 1. How to deal with crowds 2. How to use a ticket machine 3. How to buy a train pass 4. Navigating through train stations 5. What to do upon arriving at Narita Airport 6. Tips & tricks for effective riding 7. Survival words & phrases for when you need to ask for help Read this guide as an essential part of your trip preparation, and be in the know before you go!

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I have traveled to Japan twice and used various trains there. My wife and I plan to visit Japan together; this book has given us self confidence to face the Ticket Machine which is clearly described in the book. The book also contains links to various websites, which are easily reached on my Kindle Fire. My wife thinks that this book is clearly worth the small price.

I have been going to Europe at least once each year for the past 15 years or so. This year I am changing direction and going to Japan. At this point I too am a "zen master of train station navigation" (as Erik describes himself). If I had had a little booklet like this covering the European train systems, I would have achieved that status in 10% of the time it ultimately took. Even if you only spend a couple of hours on train travel in Japan, this booklet provides considerably more than the two bucks it costs - in general information that you will use.

This book was a huge help on our recent, first-time trip to Japan. We would have been totally lost without it. It is true that there are helpers in the larger stations, but not enough, and their English was not always up to our confusion. The trains were unbelievably good. Clean. Quiet. Great customer service. On-time. The nice cart ladies and helpful passengers and helpful staff. Mr. Curre's book gave us the general outline and a lot of detailed, useful information. Much better than a lot of on-line info.

Very understandable.

This overview of train tickets and machines is useful, but a few photographs of ticket machines and tickets would have made it much easier to understand.

I might not have read the description carefully enough. I thought this was more of a travelogue than the nuts and bolts of train riding in Japan. Erik really babies along the rider with step by step practical information along with some of his own experiences. He is very encouraging. This is an excellent guide for anyone going to Japan.

Good tips on how to use the train there. Since it is the most convenient mean of transportation there, it is a must to learn how to benefit from the system properly.

I was grateful to get this detailed about navigating the train system in Japan in advance of my trip. It

made it much easier for me to orient to the system on arriving, and I was able to understand errors that I made. Recommended!

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