

Indonesia – Culture Smart!

The Essential Guide to Customs & Culture

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Indonesia, stretching across three time zones and situated on one of the world's great maritime trade routes, has a rich and varied culture. *Culture Smart! Indonesia* describes the many different cultural backgrounds that make up this rainbow nation, helping you to better understand the values that underpin its diverse society. It reveals how modern Indonesians view themselves and go about their daily lives, and gives advice on how to navigate unfamiliar situations. Armed with essential cultural information and tips on effective communication, readers are better placed to have a more meaningful and successful experience in this fascinating country.

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