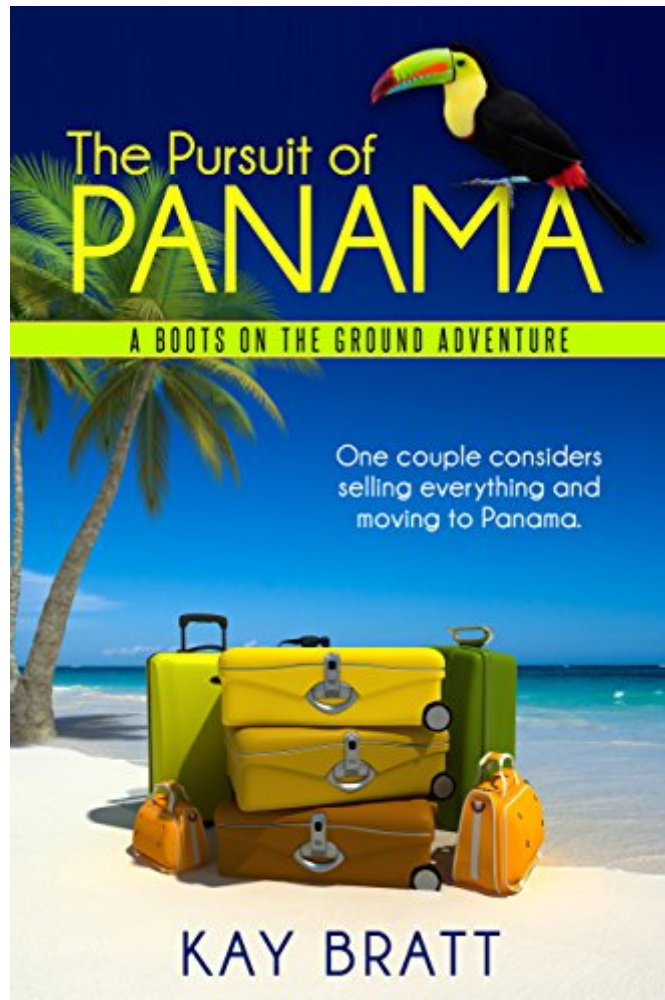




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Synopsis

Have you ever wanted to just sell everything and move abroad? Trade the rat race for a simpler pace of life? That's exactly what Kay Bratt and her husband wanted to do but before they made that final decision, they took a boots-on-the-ground tour of Panama, Central America. At their meeting point in Panama City, they join a group of other like-minded couples and hit the road. From the busy city streets to the wide open country and then along the enticing coast, they spend two weeks experiencing the culture and soaking in the beauty of the land as they determine if Panama is calling to them. The Pursuit of Panama is not a how-to book or any sort of guide that can take you through the steps of moving overseas. However, if you've thought of leaving everything behind for a simpler life and want a snapshot of what two weeks in Panama can be like—and a peek at the author's thoughts about the possibility of living in each town along her journey—then I invite you to join the Bratts for a once in lifetime adventure with The Pursuit of Panama.

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Customer Reviews

I have been a huge fan of Kay Bratt since I read "Silent Tears" and yes, I was hesitant to read a book about her journey to Panama on mission to scope it out to live there. Well, like I said, I LOVE Kay's writing and how she can make you feel like you are truly there experiencing what she is right along with you. She did just that with this book as well. I thought the insight she gave into what she experienced on this trip to Panama was really good. I like the descriptions of the areas and towns they visited and loved hearing her take on all of it. If I were thinking of moving to Panama, this book might be a good resource along with other books on Panama to help make a decision. I liked the style of writing she did in this book as it held my attention more than if she were just giving facts about each place. She made Panama sound like a very interesting place to visit for me! :)

For a few years now I have thought often of wanting to try living temporarily in another country. I think going to China several times placed this thought in my head. I watch House Hunters International all the time to see different parts of the world and how living would be in those areas. This book was wonderful and made me wish Kay would do this for several countries. Panama has never been on my list to see but after reading this book I have added it. Kay's research was great and I appreciated all the details she added. If I ever go to Panama I will surely check out many of the things she suggests. I feel I will also be more prepared for the adventure if I go having read this book. I also know now if I really do want to live in another country some of the steps I need to do to make this happen and how to research a big move. Thanks Kay for sharing your life with us. Great Book!!

I really have no intention of ever visiting Panama. However, I love travelogues. I love to vicariously travel the world through others. I even went back to a 1903 book to read about London (my favorite city). The Pursuit of Panama was a fabulous read. I felt I was there. The descriptions of the different areas was great. Reading the book made it seem to me that I was there more than the reading of a travel guide with just descriptions. It's a companion book. If you're traveling to Panama, or relocating, use a good travel guide and then read The Pursuit of Panama to get acclimated. You'll feel more at home in the end. This book also helped me learn more about Kay Bratt herself. She's not just an author. She's an actual human being with human being issues. So often we read books but never wonder about the author. Authors seem so nebulous. What really do we know about them. Kay Bratt reveals herself as a genuine human being with issues like we all have. I liked learning about her and her husband. So, The Pursuit of Panama was a two-fold win for me. I got to travel to Panama and I got to realize Kay Bratt is really a human being after all. Both of these "wins"

made this a truly enjoyable book. Thank you Kay!!

After reading *Silent Tears: A Journey of Hope in a Chinese Orphanage* in 2013, Kay Bratt quickly became one of my favorite authors. As an adoptive mother, her writing struck a chord in me. Her personal experiences in China working with the children answered many of my questions about my own daughter. Fast forward to June 2017, and Kay continues to be one of my favorite authors. I have read every single book she has written & look forward to many more in the future. *The Pursuit of Panama* is a quick read, or at least quick for me as I am known to devour books. Having done research here in the States, Kay & her husband decide to travel to Panama to see if they like Panama enough to pack up & live there. As always, Kay brings me along on her journey - discussing why they want to consider leaving, how the move would affect her & her husband as well as their family & pets. Her description of the people, the food, the culture & the various places they visited. I am right there with her. I can almost smell the fresh air, feel the sun on my arms. I could picture the people that she met. If I were to think about moving out of the country, I would definitely consider doing my research the way Kay did hers - with my feet on the ground.

I came to this book after reading *Wish Me Home*. I loved that book and was looking forward to this book. It is an honest tale of Kay Bratt's thoughts on making the move to Panama.. the good, the bad and the wishful. There didn't appear to be an ugly. Having made a move to another continent myself it was great to read the details of each small town or village Kay and her husband were considering. I really appreciated the honesty and vulnerability Kay offered her readers as to her inner thoughts, struggles and ultimately sacrifice as she made her decision. I would recommend this book, even if you have no intention of moving. You can visit Panama in your dreams.

I have been a fan of Kay Bratt's writing for several years. Since I first picked up *Silent Tears*. As an adoptive mom, to a child born in China, Kay's books have touched me in many ways. I wasn't sure what to expect from this book, written more as a memoir on the ground of Kay and her husband, Ben's, research into possibly moving to Panama. I found the book very interesting and very informative. It actually had me thinking it might be fun to think about doing something like this some day! I enjoyed getting to know the author, and her personality, more through this book. I highly recommend the book for anyone considering moving to Panama, and any fan of Kay Bratt.

While I'm not planning a move or even a trip to Panama, I do love the author and read everything

she writes! This was an interesting read even for someone with really no interest in Panama. If you DO have plans to travel, this book is full of details that will make you better prepared for your trip. If, like me, you are simply a fan of Kay Bratt, you'll get to know her quite a bit more through this travel book as she shares bits of her personal life that we've not heard elsewhere.

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