

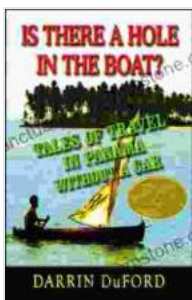
# Is There a Hole in the Boat? Tales of Travel in Panama Without a Car

Panama is a beautiful and diverse country with a lot to offer travelers, from stunning beaches to lush rainforests to vibrant cities. But what if you don't have a car? Is it still possible to get around and see all that Panama has to offer?

The answer is a resounding yes! In this article, we'll share some of our tips and experiences traveling in Panama without a car.

## Getting Around

The most common way to get around Panama without a car is by bus. Buses are relatively inexpensive and run frequently between major cities and towns. You can also take boats to travel between some destinations, such as the San Blas Islands.



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If you're planning on ng a lot of traveling, it's worth considering purchasing a bus pass. This will give you unlimited travel on all buses operated by the national bus company, Transportes Panamá.

Another option for getting around Panama is by taxi. Taxis are more expensive than buses, but they're also more convenient and can be found in most major cities and towns.

If you're feeling adventurous, you can also try hitchhiking. Hitchhiking is generally safe in Panama, but it's always important to be aware of your surroundings and take precautions.

## **Where to Stay**

There are a variety of accommodation options available in Panama, from hostels and guesthouses to hotels and resorts. If you're on a budget, hostels and guesthouses are a great option. They offer basic accommodations, but they're also affordable and a great way to meet other travelers.

If you're looking for more comfort, you can opt for a hotel or resort. There are a variety of hotels and resorts to choose from in Panama, ranging from budget-friendly options to luxury properties.

## **What to See and Do**

Panama has a lot to offer travelers, from stunning beaches to lush rainforests to vibrant cities. Here are a few of the highlights:

- **The Panama Canal:** The Panama Canal is one of the most iconic landmarks in the world. You can take a boat tour of the canal or visit

the Miraflores Locks to see how ships pass through.

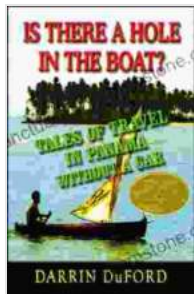
- **The San Blas Islands:** The San Blas Islands are a group of over 300 islands located off the coast of Panama. The islands are home to the Guna people, who have their own unique culture and traditions.
- **Bocas del Toro:** Bocas del Toro is a beautiful archipelago located in the northwest of Panama. The islands are known for their stunning beaches, coral reefs, and rainforests.
- **Panama City:** Panama City is the capital of Panama and a vibrant city with a lot to offer visitors. The city is home to a variety of museums, historical sites, and nightlife options.

## Tips for Traveling in Panama Without a Car

Here are a few tips for traveling in Panama without a car:

- **Be prepared to walk:** Walking is a great way to get around Panama, especially in the cities. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes and bring a hat and sunscreen to protect yourself from the sun.
- **Learn some basic Spanish:** Knowing some basic Spanish will help you communicate with locals and get around more easily.
- **Be aware of your surroundings:** Panama is a generally safe country, but it's always important to be aware of your surroundings and take precautions.
- **Be patient:** Traveling without a car can be slower than traveling with a car, so be patient and allow yourself plenty of time to get around.

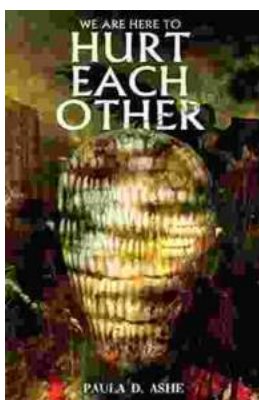
Traveling in Panama without a car is a great way to experience the country and its people. With a little planning and preparation, you can easily get around and see all that Panama has to offer.



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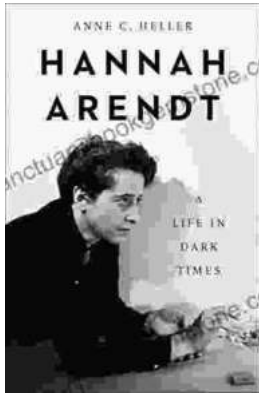
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