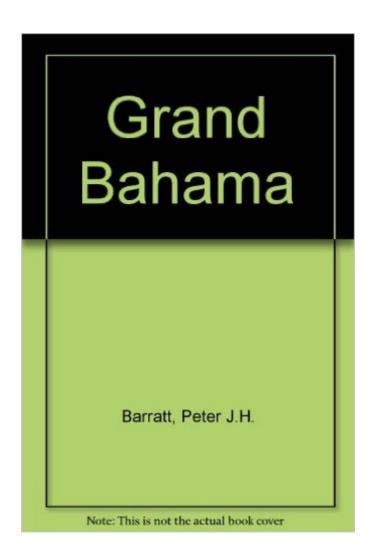
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# **Grand Bahama**





# Synopsis

Few islands anywhere have been refashioned by man to the extent of Grand Bahama. P.J.H. Barratt, a town planner formerly in charge of the development of Freeport, writes from a first-hand knowledge of the island in all its aspects - from the 'island of the great shallows' of early sixteenth century discovery by Europeans, to the spectacular development in more recent times of the new city and resort of Freeport. Once a barren, pine-covered land, Grand Bahama is now the second most populous of the Bahama Islands. The creation of Freeport was undoubtedly a social and economic experiment of the first importance that did not come into being without first overcoming serious difficulties. Apart from Freeport and a few scattered settlements the island, for the most part, remains unspoiled; tranquil beauty being its dominant characteristic. The Grand Bahama of today is a major resort destination, an island with an exciting future, facing up to the many challenges posed by an independent, emerging society. In this new edition (the fourth printing), the author has revised the text, introducing updated information on the many aspects of Grand Bahamian life as well as including several new colour and black and white photographs. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Grand Bahama by Peter BarrattPublished by I M Publishing, 190 pages, color and b&w illustrations. This is a book about Grand Bahama that faithfully records the history of the Island from the period before Columbus right up to the present day. Comprehensive and well-written here is what `Island Magazine' wrote about the book: The tapestry of Grand Bahama's rich history is woven from colourful threads of time that include native Lucayans, early Spanish and English explorers,

sunken ships, bootlegging, industrial magnates, the birth of tourism, challenges and opportunities of a new nation, as well as the geology and natural beauty of this 'island of the great shallows'. Weaving these threads together in a fascinating and informative book is author Peter Barratt, a town planner and architect formerly in charge of the development of Freeport, now the second city of The Bahamas. This new and completely revised third edition covers all aspects of Grand Bahama and well documents the modern-day spectacular development of the island from a sleepy, barren, pine-covered out island into a vibrant resort paradise, a tranquil haven of unspoiled beauty for second homes and state-of-the-art air/sea business hub. With stories, historical photographs, GRAND BAHAMA is a must-read for anyone wanting to understand both the island's amazing past as well as its incredibly exciting future.

I thoroughly enjoyed the book..I lived and worked there from 1966 to 1970.I worked for the Grand Bahama Port Authority and then worked for L.B.I. Industries building the Grand Lucayan waterway.We bought a time share there 7 years ago and we go for 2 to 3 weeks every May.The book brought back so Many Memories.Thank you So MUCH !!

Just as described and arrived fast!!

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