# Is There Really an Advantage of Having a Tour Guide When Visiting an Area? 

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Some prefer to explore a destination independently and others would like a Tour Guide. Personally, I prefer a Tour Guide who would educate, suggest locally owned Restaurants, Museums, Art Galleries, Lodging and popular Tourism attractions that a tourists would have no clue about. A Tour Guide plans your trip according to your taste. Although, a Tour Guide can be expensive if you are on a budget, however, studying a good Travel Guidebook in advance can be very helpful if you decide not to use one. Tour Guides are normally recruited within the local Community and have a vast amount of knowledge and training about the Culture, History and Traditions of the area.

Taking an independent tour would cause a tourist to overlook some important details about an area even the most visited attraction where you are visiting. One of the advantages of taking independent tours is
that you can decide with whom you tour with and how long you visit. Touring with a Guide causes you to follow a strict itinerary.

Tourists have opportunities to meet others and learn about their Culture and interest if they tour with a group or guide. Another disadvantage of touring alone is some places restrict tourists from an area unless they are with a group or Tour Guide.

In Conclusion, if you are visiting a foreign Country where English is not their primary language, it is vital to hire a bilingual Tour Guide. It would be wise to purchase a Travel Guide Translator and bring it along with you.

Happy and Safe Travels!
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