Cameron Hewitt

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I'm an avid traveler, writer, and photographer who collaborates with Rick Steves to produce America's most trusted guidebooks, video, audio, social media, and other content about Europe.

Work Experience at Rick Steves' Europe, Inc., Edmonds, WA (March 2000–Present)

Guidebook Author and Researcher (May 2001–Present)

I travel three to four months each year, researching and writing North America's bestselling guidebooks. I co-author three guidebook titles (Rick Steves Eastern Europe—9 editions; Rick Steves Croatia & Slovenia—6 editions; and Rick Steves Budapest—5 editions) and have ghostwritten or contributed heavily to dozens of other titles in more than 30 countries, including Iceland, Berlin, Scotland, England, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Greece, Istanbul, Germany, Switzerland, Scandinavia, St. Petersburg, and two cruising guidebooks.

Content Manager (December 2014–Present)

When in the home office, I oversee content across various media channels (print, online, social media, audio, and video), in close collaboration with CEO Rick Steves. My responsibilities include improving and repurposing existing content; proposing and producing new content; contributing to writing, editorial, social media, and other content initiatives as needed; and coordinating between departments to ensure cohesiveness.

Lead Editor (May 2002–December 2014)

In my previous office role, I was on the editorial staff for our guidebook series, culminating in the title of Lead Editor. In addition to standard editorial duties, I grew the series by researching and writing new titles; trained and supervised editorial and guidebook research staff; and served as the primary editor for Rick Steves' personal writing projects.

Additional Roles at Rick Steves' Europe, Inc.

- **Travel Blogger** (May 2015–Present): I regularly post written accounts and photographs of my travels at <u>blog.ricksteves.com/cameron</u> and on Facebook (<u>@HewittCameron</u>).
- **Travel Photographer** (Spring 2002–Present): My photographs regularly appear in Rick Steves' Europe guidebooks, publications, website, social media, and elsewhere.
- Screenwriter and Associate Producer (Spring 2009—Present): I have scouted, written, and field-produced five episodes of the public television series Rick Steves' Europe (Slovenia, Croatia, Dubrovnik & Balkan Side-Trips, Bulgaria, and Romania), and have also contributed to many other episodes.
- **Travel Lecturer** (Spring 2001–Present): I regularly present travel lectures on a variety of destinations and topics to large audiences (a representative sample can be viewed at www.ricksteves.com/travel-talks).
- Radio/Podcast Contributor (Spring 2005—Present): I frequently appear as an interview guest or a featured essayist on the public radio program and podcast Travel with Rick Steves.
- **Tour Guide** (September 2003–October 2008): I led bus tours for groups of 26 tour members, primarily "Best of Eastern Europe" (17 days) and "Best of the Adriatic" (14 days)—an itinerary I also co-designed.

Education & Language Skills

- B.A., Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio, 1998 (English and German Studies; Valedictorian, Phi Beta Kappa); additional study at Universidad de Salamanca, Spain (Fall 1996)
- Proficient in Spanish and German
- Extensive travel throughout Europe (more than 30 countries), the US, Canada, and Mexico