



RECOMMENDED READING

Birds of New Guinea – Bruce M Beehler, Pratt & Zimmerman, FIELD GUIDE

This is probably the best field guide to this bird-rich area, with over 700 species included.

The Birds of Paradise & Bower Birds - William Cooper and Joseph Foreshaw, FIELD GUIDE

Colour illustrations and detailed descriptions of the life and characteristics of many different kinds of bower bird.

Papua New Guinea people, politics and history since 1975 - Shorn Dorny, HISTORY

Contains a wealth of historical facts, economic statistics and keen insights into the people and politics of Papua New Guinea, including many amusing anecdotes from the author's experiences.

Queen Emma of the South Seas - Geoffrey Dutton, CULTURAL PORTRAIT

Based on the life of Emma Coe, a woman who lived most of her life in Samoa and became a well-known figure and rich trader in the process.

The Coastwatchers - Eric Feldt. HISTORY

An account of the establishment of the Coastwatchers of Australia, New Guinea and the Pacific islands during World War II.

A Pictorial History of New Guinea - Noel Gash, HISTORY

A look at New Guinea history from the earliest times, through to the difficult times of WWII to the 1970's.

Papuan Wonderland - Jack Hides, CULTURAL PORTRAIT

A personal account by Jack Hides, detailing his expedition of discovery to the Great Papuan Plateau.

New Guinea - Roy D Mackay, HISTORY

Ron MacKay's writing brings out the true beauty and significance of Papua New Guinea; the reader feels that he is with the author each step of his amazing adventure.

Two Women, Two Worlds - Audrey McCollum, CULTURAL PORTRAIT

Story of a remarkable friendship between a US psychotherapist-writer and a courageous mountain woman in PNG who struggles to lead traditional women into the modern world.

Throwim Way Leg – Tim Flannery, CULTURAL PORTRAIT

Tim Flannery recalls scientific expeditions in the wilds of New Guinea that convey both the thrill of discovery and the negotiations necessary to bridge huge clashes of cultures.

Growing up in New Guinea - Margaret Mead, CULTURAL PORTRAIT

A detailed account of the author's study of the Manus, a New Guinea people still untouched by the outside world when she visited them in 1928.

New Guinea, an Island Apart - Neil Nightingale, HISTORY

Combining exceptionally beautiful photographs with well-written essays on natural history, this book is one of the best introductions to this amazing island.

The Last Unknown - Gavin Souter, HISTORY

This book provides a lively account of expeditions to both West Papua and Papua New Guinea from the 16th to the 20th century.

Papua New Guinea's Prehistory - Pamela Swadling, HISTORY

A social anthropologist's view of Papua New Guinea Highlands prehistory.

Kokoda – Peter FitzSimons, HISTORY

FitzSimons pays homage to the infantrymen of the legendary 39th Battalion, who, with the 2/14th and 2/16th battalions, fought the battles of Kokoda between July and November 1942.