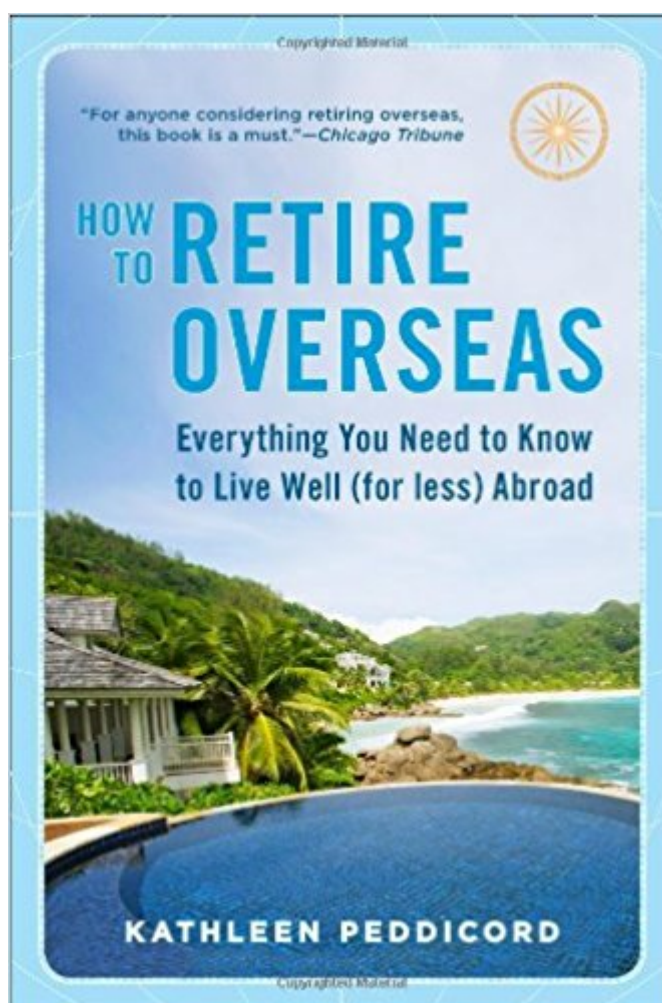


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# How To Retire Overseas: Everything You Need To Know To Live Well (for Less) Abroad



## Synopsis

The definitive guide for anyone dreaming of a move to paradise. Whether motivated by a desire for adventure, or the need to make the most of a diminished nest egg, more and more Americans are considering an overseas retirement. Drawing on her more than three decades of experience helping people relocate happily and successfully, Kathleen Peddicord shows how living in an unconventional retirement destination can cost less than a traditional home in Florida or Arizona. Peddicord addresses all of the essential issues, including: • Death • Taxes • Health Care • Bank Accounts Whether readers are interested in relatively unknown havens like Nicaragua, well-traveled areas in Italy, or need some help deciding, *How to Retire Overseas* is the ultimate guide to making retirement dreams come true.

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•œFor anyone considering retiring overseas, this book is a must.â•œ "Chicago Tribune •œ [Peddicord] leaves only a few foreign stones unturned, giving readers step-by-step pointers as well as insights to several travel-tested locales that are retiree-friendlyâ | *How to Retire Overseas* could lend a refreshingly different look at your future.â•œ "Pittsburgh Post-Gazetteâœ If youâ™re thinking about living abroad in retirement,â this book is essential reading.â•œ "Wall Street Journalâœ Whether youâ™re in the â^what if?â™ stage, or have graduated to an investigatory visit,â or are now seriously intending to live overseasâ | *How to Retire Overseas*â will beâ one of your essential resources.â•œ "Rapid River Arts & Cultureâ (Asheville, NC)

Imagine yourself at home- on the front steps leading to a sandy white Caribbean beach, sitting atop a balcony overlooking the streets in a bustling Latin American city, or inside a hillside villa in Europe- the retirement of your dreams. With a dash of adventure and an ounce of planning, you can turn your fantasies into reality- on any budget, without increasing your bills or sacrificing your lifestyle. In this definitive guide, author Kathleen Peddicord uses over twenty-five years of experience to show anyone how to retire overseas, with or without retirement income. By providing critical questions for readers to answer, Peddicord helps determine where your ideal overseas home is located. Once you know where you're headed, she outlines how to handle the move itself, and guides you through the process of establishing yourself in a foreign country, including how to:

- \*Find and rent or own a home\*
- \*Research and understand your tax liability\*
- \*Establish secure bank accounts\*
- \*Obtain health insurance and medical care\*
- \*Make friends in your new home\*
- \*Avoid common pitfalls and mistakes\*

With advice from the author's own experience living abroad as well as personal stories from the hundreds of retirees she's helped achieve their retirement goals, this essential guide helps anyone plan for and enjoy a new life overseas- for less money than a traditional retirement in the United States. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

Really up-to-date book on places that are safe to relocate for those of us hoping to make our retirement dollars go a bit further! Very honest assessment of the cost of living overseas in many different countries. Well worth the money and time to read it from cover to cover. After reading it over and over we made the decision to relocate to Ecuador. It wasn't covered well in this book but had enough information to research other options and decided on Ecuador from that. Not sorry at all and this book started it all!

Excellent overview and great tips on how to get started on overseas retirement. One tip I passed was it's best to get started on this in late 50s. I'm 65 and health insurance is a problem

I was hoping to find a place where I could retire on my social security, but Kathleen Peddicord seems to be speaking to retirees with a much larger amount of money than I. Written in 2010, it is a really old book as far as prices expats will pay - not the author's fault, but the book is outdated.

Solid 4-star rating. I would like to provide textual content on that Rating as part of this Review, however am unable to do so. The ACDLT has restricted (without warning, specific notification, identification of specific problems or appeal). That being so, an inability to respond to Review

comments by others (positive, negative, indifferent) would be unfair to myself and others. But it is a solid 4-star book in this genre.

A useful introduction. Easy to read. Full of useful things to consider. Parts poorly structured by information that would have more impact if together, so this book needs to be read thoughtfully. Concentrates on Central and South American countries. Unexpected countries included like Croatia. African countries not mentioned. Age of those she is quoting not given, nor when they arrived in the country. Author is only one who moves from country to country so we are not told the experiences of others who decide on country X then decide to move to country Y. Repeating, a good book to start with. Read others. Enjoy retired life in another country. Review by a 64 year old Australian male, in Australia, who is strongly considering retiring in Cambodia by mid 2013. Review done July, 2012. [How to Retire Overseas: Everything You Need to Know to Live Well \(for Less\) Abroad](#)

This book presents an extraordinarily clear-eyed and unvarnished view of the experience of relocating abroad. Particularly thought provoking is the section on 'Settling In' where Peddicord relates her experiences and frustrations in setting up a household in a new country. While the title suggests the book is about retiring overseas a more accurate one would also reflect the content devoted to establishing a business overseas since much of the book discusses the attendant issues. The one aspect that I found most enlightening was that while Peddicord emphasizes throughout the book how affordable living abroad can be her examples seem to be people of quite significant means. Although the arithmetic may imply that it is possible to live elsewhere with minimal expense compared to residing in the US, the people Peddicord describes actually doing it seem to be spending far more. After reading this book (in one sitting) I'm now convinced that few people are well enough off to retire overseas without making significant compromises in their accustomed standard of living. While on vacation compromise and accommodation are part of the experience, as a way of life it looks pretty difficult when described by Peddicord.

I think I have tried figuring out retirement overseas backward. But it is a journey and everyone has their own way to research. Starting over again, I would begin with a really good book on the issue, and this book is one of those books. Since she has been in the business for many many years, she knows what people need to find out. She also asks questions, like a pop quiz to gauge just where you might be in deciding what to do. Having lived in Ireland, Paris and now Panama she, of course,

has many stories from those locales. She also lives on a higher dollar level than many will find themselves in a position to do. \$3000 rent for her Panama house seems pretty high to me, but as she says we all come from different view points. She does not seem to care much for Ecuador or Costa Rica, so if you want that information find another book. There was a section about Cuenca in Ecuador, however, that was quite informative. She speaks a few times in the book about taking your "stuff" and different bed sizes which I found fascinating. Who would have thought all the countries might have different sizes in beds.....and she definitely loves her Maytag. For the most part though, she lets you know what you might need, and how others have handled this. It would have been nice to find a list of additional information sites at the back of the book. I expect though you can find much more information at her company site Live and Invest Overseas.

The author covers a ton of bases (medical care costs, transportation considerations, entertainment, taxes, etc.) and has organized the book well. I also just like her style of writing, which I don't say for most authors.

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