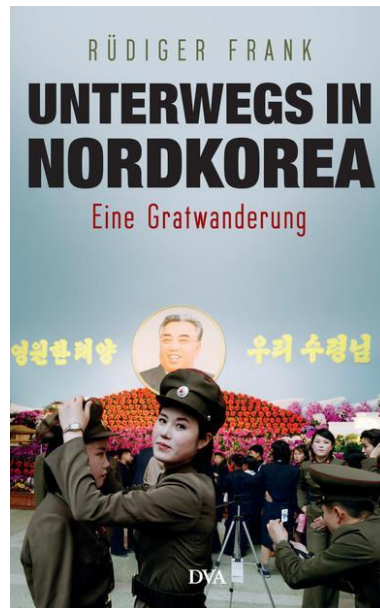


## Rogue state and travel destination – unique insights into a closed country



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The distance between Europe and North Korea cannot be measured only in miles and kilometres. North Korea is a dictatorship that does not shy away from arresting tourists. If you really have to go there at all, you must on no account go without thorough preparation beforehand. If, however, you do decide to go you will be confronted by a confusingly manifold and often contradictory picture. In spite of ubiquitous censorship prevailing in North Korea, visitors are shown a great deal but nevertheless overlook a lot.

Rüdiger Frank is one of the world's best authorities on North Korea and has travelled widely through the country in the past 25 years. In this book he sums up his travel experiences and gives readers a surprising inside view of daily life and culture in North Korea.

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