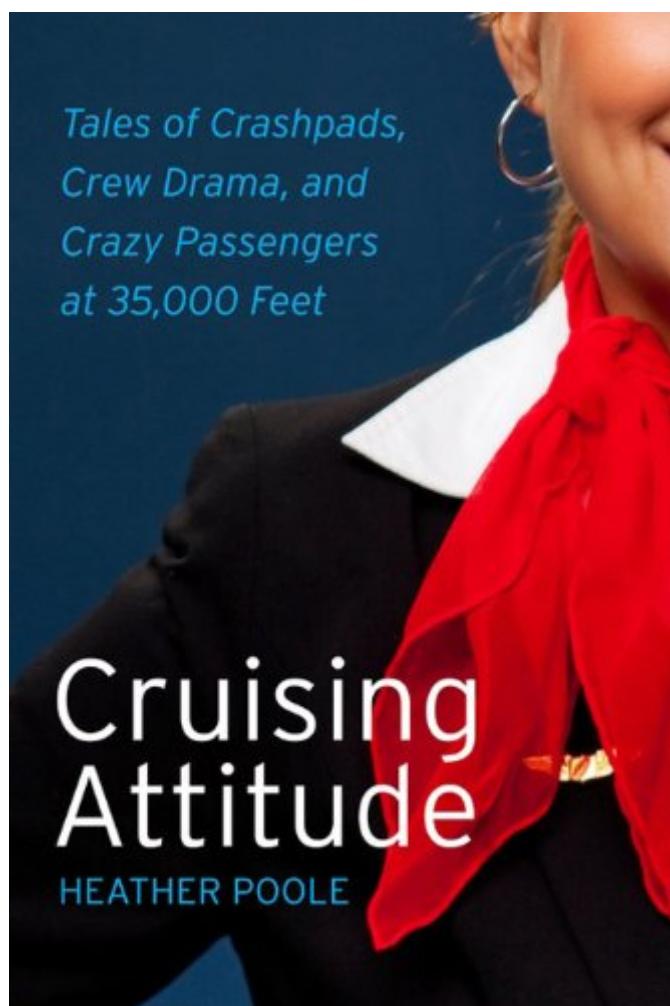


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# Cruising Attitude: Tales Of Crashpads, Crew Drama, And Crazy Passengers At 35,000 Feet



## Synopsis

Real-life flight attendant Heather Poole has written a charming and funny insider's account of life and work in the not-always-friendly skies. *Cruising Attitude* is a *Coffee, Tea, or Me?* for the 21st century, as the author parlays her fifteen years of flight experience into a delightful account of crazy airline passengers and crew drama, of overcrowded crashpads in "Crew Gardens" Queens and finding love at 35,000 feet. The popular author of "Galley Gossip," a weekly column for AOL's award-winning travel website Gadling.com, Poole not only shares great stories, but also explains the ins and outs of flying, as seen from the flight attendant's jump seat.

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Very Opinionated view on the industry and its all American-centric with a couple of references to "I've heard foreign carriers do it different" but with no research done by the lazy author. The insights are good and fairly normal for the industry. Its good to read about the antics of the crew although being in the industry I've known most of it before. American airlines are extremely harsh in how they

treat their staff and it is a sad sad state of industry. It does not support safety culture and the bitchiness of the old time crews is made evident in this book. the "You can't sit with us club" of "experienced" flight attendants is what basically dissolves the aviation safety culture and the author is clear to point this out in her book. Average read

This book was fascinating to read at the start when the reader learns what it's like to become a flight attendant. Later on, though, the tale fizzles into day-to-day activities that, frankly, aren't very interesting. The reader senses that the author was stretching for more pages without material to fill them, then gave up and ended abruptly. Still, if curious about flight attendant life, this book will answer your questions.

Even though I have a relative who spent her career as a flight attendant I never really understood the difficulties and complications of this fascinating lifestyle. This author combines humor of outrageous behavior of some passengers while discriminately teaching good manners and protocol to the flying public.

I always knew that being a flight attendant was hard work, but had no idea HOW hard. I also had no idea about so many other things discussed in this book: working standby, lack of crew meals, low pay, seniority rules, etc. This book was enlightening as well as entertaining, and I will forever hold more respect for the work these dedicated women and men do. I look forward to a sequel!

As a former flight attendant, I loved it. Could really relate to it. Sad to admit that she started flying a bit after I did. Her stories about weight restrictions was spot on for my time. Loved it.

Very entertaining and enlightening about F/A lifestyle. Had a few dull passages that went in too much detail. But, all in all I recommend

Makes you think before asking flight attendants for silly things.....had not idea what their lives are like and their intensive training.

Funny and interesting.

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