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Liz C says

Good

Good travel guide., covers all of the main places. Handy maps. I would recommend this book to anyone going to Italy.

snowmoonelk says

Brilliant. I haven't finished reading it yet, but when we last stayed in Tuscany, we visited some of the recommended cafes and restaurants (as well as the usual monuments!) and they didn't disappoint. Lovely to have somewhere to head to, rather than wonder where the locals go to eat and drink.

Anjali Gupta says

I have always been such a fan of the lonely planet - it's a must buy as I plan my vacations. But lately I find that by itself it is not enough. I always need to also do online research, read some additional reviews etc. So while I have no doubt i will continue to reach for it as I plan vacations, it doesn't prove to be as useful for hotels n restaurants anymore.

Jdetrick says

It can be difficult to evaluate travel books, but I usually consider how well the information is organized and how easy it will be to find information that's relevant to my travels. In both of those cases, this book succeeds admirably.

Chaiyong Ragkhitwetsagul says

A comprehensive guide to Italy. I bought this because I'm going to Milan, Venice, Florence, Pisa, and Rome (in 6 days! so insane, right?). I found that the book was very useful and had to keep it around with me all the time. Especially when in a museum because it highlighted the major artworks that we had to see. However, I found that it's not attractive much to read before travelling since there's so few pictures and loads of information. Maybe I should be a more specific book for each city.

Pam ?Because Someone Must Be a Thorn? Tee says

As you can imagine, a book that covers an entire country, a country as fascinating as Italy, is massive. We are talking inches of book; pounds of book. But it's all good.

This Lonely Planet guide gives the reader a number of ways to decide what to visit. Whether it's a month or a few days there are ways to dig in and figure out what you want to cover. At the beginning of the book there's a list of Top 18. Peruse that and see what seems most interesting. Or visit them all.

Past that section there are guides on what to do if wine or food or shopping is your focus. I happen to appreciate the guides to what to expect in the way of costs for food/housing/drinks, and that they let me know that there are farm houses that are available to stay out. Their information on what to wear is a bit brief --especially as it doesn't even break down into time of year-- but I've already made our kids read it because it has sound advice.

Overall this is just a great guide. It's broken down into regions which makes sense and it provides the usual information on starred activities and other things to do. This book is not printed on glossy paper so the photos aren't the best. I'd rather have an affordable book though so that choice is okay with us. Lots of maps. At the back there is an attached map of the City of Rome. They've thought of everything, even phrases like, 'where can I buy discount designer items' and 'what is the local specialty'.

Mary Prigioni says

I want to live there

Beautiful pics and a world of information. I wish this book was around when I went to Italy. My hats off to the authors.

Angel Serrano says

Guía sobre las diferentes regiones de Italia. Además de la descripción geográfica se pone en perspectiva la gastronomía, la historia y los puntos de atracción. También incluye consejos prácticos y un mapa del centro de Roma.

Gina says

This travel guide has a good dictionary in the back. There are also city guides that give you tips on what to do if you have only two days, etc.

Note: I bought the Kindle ebook. For some reason the screen was dark and the bookmark function didn't work. I'm not sure if that's the fault of the Amazon Kindle app or the publisher.

Jim says

I've been using Lonely Planet Guides for years, but now it feels a bit 20th century. I used a highlighter to bring out snippets of info I found useful. I think the paper edition has had its day, and I preferred using free maps picked up in each city, to the ones in the guide, which were very small... maybe my ageing eyes can't deal with such small print any more. I visited 4 cities in 6 days: Rome, Bologna, Venice and Florence. The information was useful and helped us find some dishes to order and a good way of avoiding the lines at the Colosseum. I find Dorling Kindersley better for illustrations.

Bob H says

A comprehensive (1000-pp.) and up-to-date travelers' guide to Italy, albeit in a compact (portable) size. The book seems very well-researched and covers all areas, from the best-known (they provide a pull-out street map of Rome) to the less-obvious locations like Trieste, the island of Sardinia, the provinces of Puglia and Calabria. Each section provides a well-laid-out and well-illustrated guide to each regions attractions, amenities, accommodations and tours, amply provided with local maps, climate charts and tips for getting around. Local hotels, restaurants and transport venues are listed with prices, points of contact (including websites where available) and times of operation. The back of the book includes brief reviews of Italian art, architecture, cuisine, and culture, as well as a "survivors' guide" on matters like insurance, transport, currency and such.

As someone who is familiar with Italy's language, culture and geography, I find this book to seem true to its subject and that it would be useful for the first-time and experienced traveler wanting a complete and timely resource. Indispensable for planning a trip to any part of Italy, especially for travelers planning well in advance and wanting a resource for their own arrangements. Highest recommendation.

Benjamin Rubenstein says

Lonely Planet guides are THE BEST

Tri Le says

Large and incredibly comprehensive travel guide. This book was a great foundation for planning our Italy trip. The book provides a fantastic overview of Italy and gives huge amounts of information. Lots of small articles and background information was included. Useful and up-to-date. Lonely Planet offers another solid travel companion.

Stuart Aken says

Until I've been to Italy, I can't know the true value of this book. However, having read it in preparation, I can comment on what I've so far found.

I'm off to Italy soon, visiting Rome, Naples and Pompeii, Florence, and Lake Maggiore, which is why I bought the general travel book rather than a city-specific volume.

This is a comprehensive tome, and includes lots of very informative maps, including a removable folding map of Rome.

There are sections on all the regions and cities of this fascinating country. You'll find advice on the many interesting places to visit in each location, and there are links for the websites that provide more detailed information, as well as those where prospective visitors can obtain tickets to various museums, galleries and other tourist offerings in advance, thereby avoiding the queues.

The authors – there are fourteen – have each visited the regions/cities they write about, and readily give their specialist knowledge to enhance the visitor's experience.

Packed with tips and knowledge of the customs, traditions, habits and mannerisms of the country, this is a book that prepares travellers for an immersive holiday or trip so they can enjoy the place to the full.

You'll also find advice on transport, including car hire, air, train and bus travel, ferries and walking.

And the last section of the book gives useful and entertaining information on the country's history, art and architecture, way of life, food and drink, and on how Italy has been portrayed in fiction and on film, as well as about the place as it is today.

A very worthwhile purchase and, for me, a must-have prior to the planned visit.

Kirsty says

Absolutely wonderful. My boyfriend and I used this on our trip to Naples, and were able to slot in trips to Rome, Capri, and Pompeii, and make the most of all of them in limited time. The tips and tricks here are great, and the section on Italy's history makes for very interesting reading. I shall never go back to other travel guides now.
