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You can count on Rick Steves to tell you what you *really* need to know when traveling in the Eternal City of Rome.

With the self-guided tours in this book, you'll walk the same streets as the Caesars and discover the secrets of the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. Learn how to avoid the lines at the Vatican Museum and St. Peter's Basilica. Take a night walk across the city and enjoy floodlit fountains and piazzas. Then grab a sidewalk table at the locals' favorite trattoria and watch the world go by.

Rick's candid, humorous advice will guide you to good-value hotels and restaurants. You'll learn how to navigate the Rome Metro and which sights are worth your time and money. More than just reviews and directions, a Rick Steves guidebook is a tour guide in your pocket.

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## **From Reader Review Rick Steves Rome 2018 for online ebook**

### **Chai says**

Rick Steves is great -- totally used this book in Rome.

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### **Tasha says**

Read this cover to cover. Love him. Best trip thanks to Rick!

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### **Tri Le says**

Fantastic reference for my recent Italy trip! I really enjoyed the humor and personal touch that Rick Steves and Gene Openshaw give in their writing. I really enjoyed the self-guided tours and used a good number of them to better appreciate the sites we were viewing. The extra information was very useful and we used a few of the eating suggestions that turned out to be quite excellent. Very useful resource for Rome!

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### **Meg says**

Once upon a time, I made fun of Rick Steves for being cheesy.

He's still cheesy, but as far as making fun of the guy: never again.

There's a reason he's a mogul and expert on all things travel-- Steves knows his stuff, as proven by this fantastic guidebook to the city of Rome.

Steves covers just about everything, from which sights to include to which restaurants are good (though the latter part does come off, in part, as a bit of salesmanship). Steves tells you what times are least crowded to visit the big attractions, and he tells you plainly what to look out for and avoid as a tourist.

I really appreciated his encouragements to "live as a temporary local," and his sparse-but-useful language tips were helpful. I will definitely use his guidebooks in the future, and I'll be sure to steer library customers toward his work. I thought he was just for old people, but Steves' friendly, knowledgeable way of explaining things is great expertise for any American traveler.

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### **Maryclaire says**

You don't need another book if you take this along on your Nook. It contains any possible information you could use before you go and while you are on your trip. This book contains maps, guides for tours that you can walk, day or night, train travel, subway instructions and what to wear. Everything you need about the areas and the buildings is all included. It is a wonderful reference for Rome.

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## **Jason Golomb says**

My family lives and dies by Rick Steves' European travel books. He provides practical and immediately usable advice, tips, guidance on all aspects of traveling in Europe. He provides no-nonsense reviews on sites, food, and all locations a traveler might want to visit.

Each of his guides provides detailed turn-by-turn tours of all major attractions, while giving valuable advice restaurants and shopping nearby. His guidance on travel was 100% spot on, never once erring in those little details that can leave a traveler irrevocably lost and frustrated.

My family also loves his free downloadable audio tours, which are essentially exactly the same as the site tours he provides in his books. He narrates the tour with practical advice (when to get in line, where tickets can be had for a discount, etc) as well as a reasonable amount of history and humor to appeal to all but the most hardcore of historians and travelers.

We always buy multiple travel books when planning our overseas experience, but we only use one: Rick Steves.

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## **Terri Lynn says**

This was my usual reading of each new volume of this book. Rome has a lot to offer and Rick Steves leaves out nothing.

Surprise- he actually includes a few good places to stay other than the usual cheap dumps where you have to rent sheets and sleep with a bunch of strangers while showering and using the toilet with a crowd of smelly strangers. Several of his suggestions are pretty good.

He is in search of places to drink liquor as usual but does manage to run into some good good and non-alcoholic beverages along the way.

Pay more attention to his descriptions of shopping and sightseeing as well as detailed info on saving money and the ins and outs of transportation.

My favorite thing about Rome is the great artwork. If you love art like I do, you will not be disappointed in Rome.

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## **Pauline says**

Rick Steves' travel books may not be pretty to look at compared to other flashy travel books, but his books have substance and good advice.

Rome 2013 helped me navigate Rome perfectly...the only thing I do not like about Rick's books is the restaurant suggestions...I am a foodie and the places he suggests are not to my standard at all.

The basic summary of historical sights and the walks are great. Loved the "Heart of Rome" walk, it takes a tourist through the prettiest part of Rome, it would be so easy to miss the pretty streets without this book.

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### **Travelling Sunny says**

Not exactly a novel, but I read every word of this travel book twice in anticipation of my vacation. While it had a lot of great information about sites, prices, travel tips, etc. - it is certainly not the last word in travel guides.

This being my first experience with prepping myself for a foreign trip using only guides, I would advise someone to get a sampling of guides to get various perspectives rather than a single guide.

Nevertheless, Rick Steves uses humor and sarcasm to make the reader feel more comfortable about new adventures.

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### **Sara says**

This book is a must have for anyone visiting Rome. Of all the Rome guides we brought along it became our travel 'bible' while touring the city. Great tips with a bit of history thrown in on all of the major attractions one might want to visit. Great tips on local restaurants, when to tour the most popular sites etc. The only problems we had were attempting to use his descriptions of how to easily travel from one location to another - we continually got lost. Of course that may speak to our lack of ability to navigate in a strange city rather than poor directions : )

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### **Margaux says**

I'll be buying the 2018 edition for our trip later this year. Joey and I can't wait for our honeymoon! And I was able to use the discount codes to save around \$40 on tours. An after-hours catacombs trip and a guided trip to the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. Every penny counts, right? And that's enough for a decent meal! Salud!

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### **Sharon says**

We're visiting Rome in spring 2013 and this is the first book I've read in preparation. Unfortunately, I think that Mr. Steves presumes his reader to have far more familiarity with the layout of the city than I do; I will definitely be picking up some other books as adjuncts.

That said, his descriptions of walking tours and various sites are entertaining, as they incorporate no small amount of humor, puns and so on into the mix. This is no dry guidebook, that's for sure.

I do enjoy Mr. Steves' programs on PBS, and it would probably be great fun to go on one of his tours. Unfortunately, I need a book that is a little longer on basic information than this one. (Is there a "Rome for Dummies"?)

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### **Mindy Williams says**

Cannot wait for my trip and seeing this all in person!! Very well done...love Rick Steves!

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### **Stacy says**

Yes this does count even if it is a travel how to book. I read the whole thing and found it helpful and entertaining. Rick Steves is a great travel writer and I love his philosophy about travel and the world. I used him waaaaaay back in 1988 when I was backpacking around Europe. It was my bible. Don't worry everyone, I also had a real bible too. Anyway, I used this on my trip and kept seeing people with the Rick Steve's book. I overheard this one guy at a trattoria say to his wife, "why is that Italian guy using a Rick Steve's book?" He was talking about Steve! I was so proud of my pseudo Italian husband. So next time any of you take a trip ... travel the Rick Steves' way.

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### **Jeff says**

Preparing for my first trip to Rome and knowing Rick Steves' reputation, I chose this book as introductory reading. I'd hoped to gain insight and recommendations to seeing Rome in a short span of time. Though I understand why the book is laid out the way it is, I found it at times confusing and repetitive.

Then there's the fear factor. Yes, there is a risk of pickpockets in any area of a large crowded city. This is reinforced multiple times throughout the book, leading the reader to believe that Rome is a dangerous city to visit. I certainly did not find this to be the case when I was there at all.

I also found some of the information was not always accurate or up to date.

As a relatively inexperienced traveler that spends a lot of time planning in advance, I didn't find this book very helpful. I wish I hadn't also bought the London 2016 edition at the same time, finding the same issues with it.

This book may be perfect for some people. I just found I was better off with a GPS app (while there) and internet access (while planning) and could have saved my money.

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