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Randell Carlton Green says

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Anne says

Definitely got the basics - the biggest, brightest, and best well known sights - covered. If you want offbeat, quirky or even subcultural (e.g. punk) places covered, this is not the guide for you. But it was a great for a first time traveler to London like myself who just needed maps, basic food recommendations, and general "neighborhood" information.

I saw a million people in London with the same crappy map included in this book. I laughed because if you want something covering the whole of London, make sure to look elsewhere. Trust me, you'll need it. Hahahahahahaha!!

Jennifer Thomas says

nifty little travel guide for a first time traveller.

Mell says

Loved LP's guide to Montreal a few years back, so sought out this book early last year for our first trip to England. This was the best of the London guides I perused. We ended up buying this and taking with us.

Nancy Kennedy says

I've been to London many times, but not in the last few years (parenting, anyone?!?). So I was hoping this guide would bring me up to date. And, yes it sure does!

The book starts out with a list and brief description of the Top 25 highlights of the city... though some things on the list aren't must-dos in my world (bar hopping in Shoreditch and Hoxton). Each brief description contains another list related to the theme; for example, the bar hopping item contains a list of where to find the best live music in London, not just that area.

After that, the book is divided into regional sections -- the City itself, the West End, Greenwich, etc. I also found the "What's New" list helpful. It's a list of seven new attractions, such as the Cutty Sark in Greenwich, renovation of the Charles Dickens house and a cable car that crosses the Thames (so cool!). Here and throughout the book I ran into many mentions of The Shard, a new skyscraper with a viewing platform. Too

bad the editors didn't include a photo! I looked in vain.

In the regional sections, I really appreciated the "Don't Miss List" feature from insiders. For example, in the City section, the Tower of London information includes a list of what not to miss from the chief yeoman warder of the Tower. Some information in the list is well-known, while some -- like how to get tickets to the nightly locking-up of the Tower, the Ceremony of the Keys -- is helpful for first-time or infrequent visitors.

There's much more to this guidebook, including a fold-up map of the city in the back that can be left in the book or torn out for use separately. And don't miss the section of practical information -- if you don't know what an Oyster card is, you need to know! Can't wait until I can go back to my favorite city!