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"Eyewitness Travel Guide: Rome" will lead you straight to the best attractions this cultural city has to offer. With detailed listings of the best hotels, restaurants, bars and shops for all budgets in this fully updated and expanded guide, and insider tips on everything from soaking up the charms of the cafe scene to gaping at the ancient ruins that line the streets, there is in-depth coverage of all Rome's unforgettable sights from the Coliseum to Villa Borghese. "Eyewitness Travel Guide: Rome" includes unique cutaways, floor-plans and reconstructions of the city's stunning architecture, plus 3D aerial views of the best districts to explore on foot. And the new-look guide's indispensable map is so easy-to-use, keep it with the book or remove and use on its own.

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## From Reader Review Rome for online ebook

### Alan says

Good maps and guides to museums, galleries etc. - we used it to guide us around Gallerie Borghese, the colosseum, Palatine and Forum, the Vatican and Bernini statues in Piazzas, and numerous churches, not forgetting restaurant recommendations and travel tips. Great - only criticisms are better indexing would help, and larger print (that's just me getting old). Then I left it in a cafe - ah well, it was the last day.

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### Sally Edsall says

The Eyewitness series is always superb.

Apart from the superb cut-aways, sumptuous photography and engaging text, what Eyewitness unfailingly delivers is USABLE, properly indexed street maps. Too many guidebooks provide sketchy maps where scale turns out to be a mere fantasy, missing minor streets.

Sometimes I find Eyewitness books a BIT too heavy for the baggage allowance, so I wish the maps were included in some sort of detachable form. They really are better than those in other guides, and as usable as a "freestanding" map book.

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### Kay says

I'm a big fan of the Eyewitness Travel Guides. The format is appealing -- a lavishly illustrated introductory section expounding on the history and key features of the city followed by color-coded sections, each devoted to a different area. The rear of the book is devoted to practicalities such as transportation, hotels, restaurants, and entertainment. Since it heavily relies on pictures rather than words, it's easy to pick up a guide, thumb through it, and let a striking photo serve as inspiration for where to go or what to do. The text on even the major sights is succinct, so if it's the full monty you're after, supplement this guide with something more substantial like a Blue Guide. However, if you want to get a quick sense of what a destination has to offer, an hour or so spent with one of these guides is probably one of the most effective ways to do background research.

One quibble is that since the Eyewitness Guides are printed on nice, heavy stock, they're not that light. Perhaps in the future another format - digital? - will get around this problem.

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### Yasmine says

This helped me so much in Rome. I suggest learning the alphabet still because some of the sound-out things can be confusing.

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### **Caitlin says**

This is the second time I have had a successful vacation by using a DK Eyewitness Travel Guide. It got me around Estonia and now Rome. The book is a little bit heavy, they could consider using lighter materials for carrying around while traveling. Aside from that I have no complaints. It is beautiful with pictures and illustrations to help the reader decide what to prioritize on their journey. It is packed with information and organized in a logical way. The book is broken down into the main areas of Rome and each section is packed with information about monuments and what people would want to see. It covers less popular sites too which was immensely helpful to me as I wanted to see as many churches as possible. The inside cover has a table of contents for each section of Rome which helped when I needed to quick check where a church was. After discussing the areas of town there is a suggested itinerary for walks to help a tourist maximize their time. It also has a list of restaurants and hotels and practical information that can come in handy as well. It even has a brief history of Rome in the front to help you get your bearings as you dive into each district. I highly recommend this book and hope to find a DK Eyewitness for my next location.

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### **Angel Serrano says**

Guía turística para visitar Roma. Completamente enfocada en el centro de la ciudad, con la historia clásica y el Vaticano como puntos principales de atención. Mapas útiles y paseos detallados para facilitar el viaje.

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### **Carolyn Dorstek says**

Ah, Roma! What can I say. This book was my buddy for a month before our trip and a week traveling the streets of Rome. Rome is mind boggling, but this book helped me to sort it out as best as can be expected for only spending a week there. We took the walks and were able to identify and understand many of the sights without taking a guided tour, which we vowed to avoid! The maps were the best I have encountered. The pictures were outstanding. We saw so many people with this book (in a dozen different languages) on the streets of Roma. The only downside was trying to read or follow maps at night.

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### **Beth says**

My favorite guidebook for layouts, area maps and visual guides for specific sites, museums and areas of interest in Rome.

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### **Catherine Woodman says**

These are very popular guidebooks in general, but I find them hard to use--very buys in their layout, and while there is good information in them, there is a lot of stuff that is just not of interest to me--drawings of things and such--and I find I can't really use them. They do have phenomenal pictures and for me are helpful in planning where I might like to see, but wouldn't recommend actually carrying it with you.

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### **Bryce says**

A great starting guide for a beginner planning their first trip to Rome, which I'm doing currently.

I appreciate that the guide divides the city into neighborhoods and lists things to do and see in each one. It makes things easier when planning lodgings and itineraries. The guide focuses on the really touristy things -- the Colosseum, the Pantheon and the Sistine Chapel, for a few examples -- but doesn't spend much time with any off-the-beaten path sites. I love love love all the pictures and the maps.

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### **Stephanie says**

Travel guide with lots of historical information. It is organized by area in Rome and gives historical information about many of the buildings found in each area. There are also sections on where to stay, eat, shop, and go for entertainment. Although small, the book is very heavy and wouldn't be very convenient to carry around with you while you are sightseeing. This is more of a resource to refer to before you go or that you keep in your hotel room during the day and refer to between sightseeing. I would recommend this to someone interested in historical tidbits and to someone who is not going on a guided tour who needs to plan their vacation on their own. This should give you some ideas.

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### **Robert Harris says**

Very good.

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### **Mimi says**

Great information. Beautiful layout. Gyrating maps, pictures, tips. But heavy. I can't see myself taking this book with me. Number 1 in my luggage, 2-3 of these books on different cities would unnecessarily weigh me down and number 2 carrying this book in my purse or backpack would be a burden after an hour or so. But good armchair read before embarkation.

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### **Ramita says**

Great book to bring along/pick up at the local tobacconist for a trip in Rome.

**PRO:** Excellent at what it aims to do: tell you bits of this n that on numerous tourist (and not so tourist-y) sites, as well as enough history to get you immersed in the surrounding. Pretty pictures and cut-aways. Also good as a coffee-table book and a souvenir (don't forget to jot your own notes in it!)

**CON:** A bit on the heavy side, and the maps are not that detailed (better get the free updated pub. transport

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**Renn Daniels says**

I love the Eyewitness travel guides, they are the most user friendly and pack the most information for your own self guided tours.

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