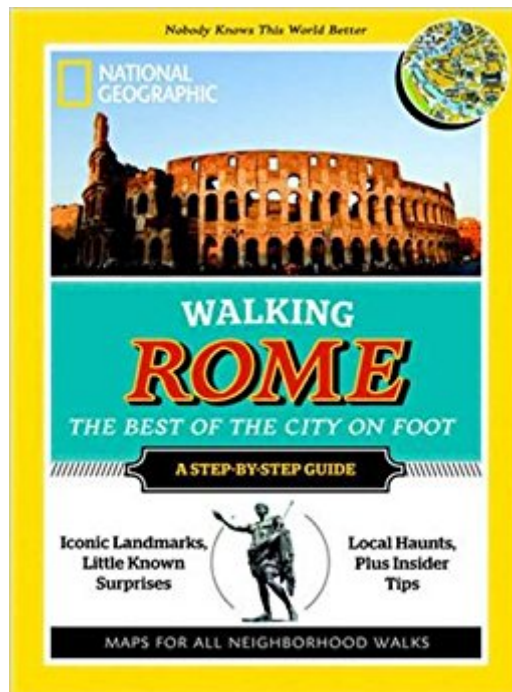


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Walking Rome



Synopsis

See the best of Rome with this streamlined, itinerary-driven guide, created in a handy, take-along format. Part of a brand-new series from National Geographic that showcases the world's great cities, *Walking Rome* is divided into the following sections: The Whirlwind Tours section shows you how to see the entire city in a day or a weekend; what sights will interest kids most; plus, a hedonist's tour that's pure pleasure from dawn to midnight and beyond. The Neighborhoods section of the book presents the city broken down into 15-odd itineraries that lead you on a step-by-step tour to the best sights in each of the city's greatest neighborhoods--from Rome's ancient heart to Laterano to Piazza di Spagna to Trastevere. Travel Essentials provides information on how to get to the city and how to get around, as well as hand-picked hotels and restaurants. Each itinerary includes the following features: Distinctly Rome: Explore the city through 2-page features that showcase the quintessential aspects of the city, such as Renaissance Architecture, the popes through history, and Roman baths. Here you'll get intriguing background information to help you understand why this city is one of the world's greatest. Best of: Specific thematic groupings of sights are described, such as coffee and cafes, street markets, and gelato shops. In-depth: These spreads take a deep dive into a major museum or other sight--the Colosseum, Palazzo Barberini, and Galleria Borghese, for example--providing step-by-step guidance on what to see and how to plan your visit. Sidebars throughout give you the low down on shopping, eating, and going out on the town, and offer insider tips and interesting asides.

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I love the format of this book. Organized in bite-sized geographic sections, Ms. Parla brings each neighborhood to life so that you do not miss the best bits of Roman history while you make your way through the city, which can be overwhelming to a visitor. You will also find handy tips about places to shop, dine, and take a break during your sightseeing excursions. The book is small enough to carry in a pocket or handbag, and it is full of easy to read maps and photos of points of interest.

Bought this because a friend had used the author as a guide in Rome. Katie Parla wasn't available at the time we were there but recommended her book which otherwise would have been below our guide book radar. Used it everyday to plan itinerary's during a two week stay and carried it everywhere often finding unplanned high points as we cruised around the city on public transportation. A little light on background and in depth material, but what's there is concise and makes it very easy to find what you want when you want and help you get around. Have used others of its type for other major cities, Paris, Barcelona, Istanbul. this one was best by far. Also recommend her app Rome Foodie.

I have an upcoming trip to Italy later in the year and I had already purchased a couple of guidebooks that were highly recommended, but this one is BY FAR the nicest and most informative of all of them! This book is PERFECT for how and where to start your day of sightseeing, which buses to take, how long it will take you to get there, how much time you should plan to spend at each attraction, and even the cost of entrance fees and telephone numbers. Each chapter is specific to one of Rome's 'neighborhoods' and has maps with clearly marked routes to walk,

the metro stations, bus stops, everything you need to know whether you are planning an extended stay in Rome or just a quick stopover. It streamlines your agenda so you can see and do the specific things that interest you regardless of how much time you have to spend in Rome. Every page has beautiful color pictures, and it is also a very convenient size for a small backpack or purse. This is by far the absolute BEST city guidebook I have found!

Outside of naming the sites to see Walking Rome provided very little detail on these sites. The "walks" were not along streets but moved about in a general direction. Walking tours are best along streets/paths and the description of sites along the path described. Walking Rome simply names the five or so sites, provide little additional information on the sites, and does not treat any of the interesting points in between. A waste of money, and an added burden if you decide to carry it along.

It was a great introduction to the highlights of the city. It is easy to carry and not overwhelming amount of information. I would definitely agree when the book notes you will be going at a fast pass. Sometimes trying to see too much can cause disappointment because you don't spend much time in one location. If you are wanting to actually go inside an attraction, take a tour etc then at maximum I would add only two attractions for the morning and afternoon. But allows you to see points of interest on the way. I gave it 3 stars because I needed additional material to have more details of the different sites and a better map to get around. I downloaded an online map, several actually (Ulmon, trip advisor, m trip), I did not find one that met all my needs. We spent 3 nights in the city and found using the tube really helped allow us to see more. There is a lot of walking and moving about which can be tiring.

This was the only Rome tour book, (we had at least 7) that gave us information on Trajan's Market and the Museum inside as well as information to find this amazing end area of the ancient Roman forum. The Museum is on the Quirinale and there is not access from the forum itself so you could miss it and that would be a loss. The book was a gem for the photos and general information as well. Small easy to carry with you, very nice map.

This book was great on our trip to Rome! The walks set up a great path for us to follow and when we finished something early, we were able to look up a route close by to start on. The only thing I wish it had was time to walk between locations as well as time the attractions closed. We made the

trek to two locations that were closed from 12-3 and we ended up skipping them. Had we known, we could have started sooner or chosen a different day to have made it.

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