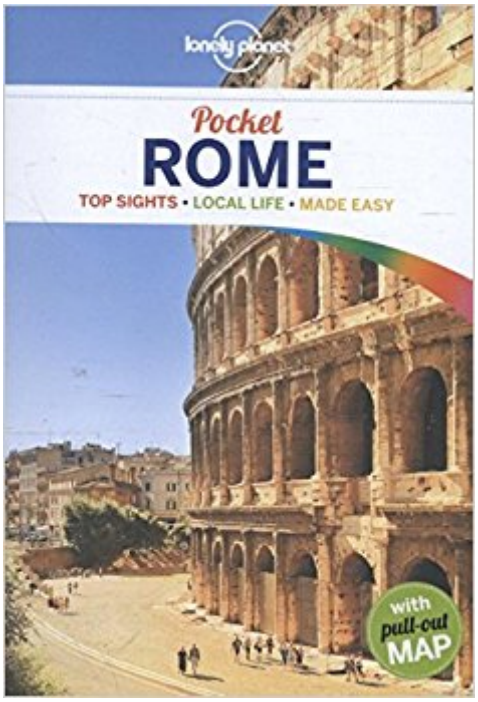
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Very helpful while traveling and site seeing in room. Offer very good up today information.

Very good book and a nice thing to have when you're out traveling the city because it has a nice pulled out map

Great guide book. I love it

It's a nice little travel guide for my upcoming trip to Italy. I will be using it to plan out my time here.

Great travel book!

Great pocket guide book!

easy to use -and carry

We had the good fortune to live in Florence and travel throughout Italy and Sicily. Rome is 170 miles south of Florence and easy to get to by train. Unlike the United States, train travel is fast and comfortable in Italy and driving in Rome is a nightmare for people who donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t know where they are going. Even if you do know where you are going, think twice about driving in Rome. Busses and the metro will get you where you want to go. Also, for a specific destination, try a cab, just for the fun of it. Cab drivers in Rome create their own rules of the road and

donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t mind blowing their horn.Our Pocket Travel Guide has all the favorite tourist attractions in Centro Storico, historic center, and also gives us a map of Centro Storico. Rome is a big place and the small map included in the guide will probably be good enough for most people. One word of warning. Leave all valuables at home. Gypsies and thieves hang around all the famous tourist sites and ride the busses and metro. They are incredibly adept at stealing anything not tied down. If you stay long enough in Rome, you will hear many horror stories from tourists who thought it was safe wandering around Rome unattended. If you go to the Vatican, you will see many police patrolling Vatican City. The Pope wants you to be safe. BTW, go to Vatican City, St. PeterÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s, the Vatican Museum, and Sistine Chapel at the end of the Vatican Museum ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â œ fabulous. Go early or you will be packed into the Sistine Chapel like a sardine ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â œ no exaggeration!The guide gives many recommendations for eating and drinking, but I think they are largely unnecessary. The food in Italy is great, wherever you go, and cheap enough if you donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t sit down. In Rome you can stop by a bakery and grab a pizza on the go for a reasonable price ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â œ itÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s what the RomanÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢s do. As soon as you sit down, eating can be expensive. Also, take special note that the Italians like to eat later than we do. Many restaurants donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t open their doors until after 7:30 PM. Also, unlike Americans, the Italians have many courses to their meals, which was always too much for us.You wonÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t have to worry about speaking Italian if you donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t go off the beaten path in Rome. English is a second language for all those Italians who cater to tourists. If you decide to explore outside normal tourist destinations, English is not spoken and you will need a little Italian, which is not too difficult to learn ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â œ it is a friendly language, like Spanish.The Lonely Planet has done a good job with the Pocket Rome Guide. It can easily fit into pocket or purse and is loaded with information about everything important a tourist is likely to need. One more word of warning. DonÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t go to Rome or any of the other popular destinations in Italy in the Summer. Italy is overrun with tourists in the Summer and the Italians donÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t care if you wait for hours or even if you get in to see some famous museum. Think Disney World on a bad day and that is Italy in the summer. The weather is great in much of Italy off season, the prices are cheaper, and the lines, except for things like the Sistine Chapel, are not a problem.My family comes from Puglia in the south of Italy and it is beautiful there with much to see and do. Also, I am partial to Florence, one of the great small cities in the world. And, of course, nothing in the world is quite like Venice, a truly wonderful city. If you have two weeks off season to visit Italy, Rome, Florence, and Venice might work well for you. Have a great trip and good luck (buon viaggio e buona fortuna).

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