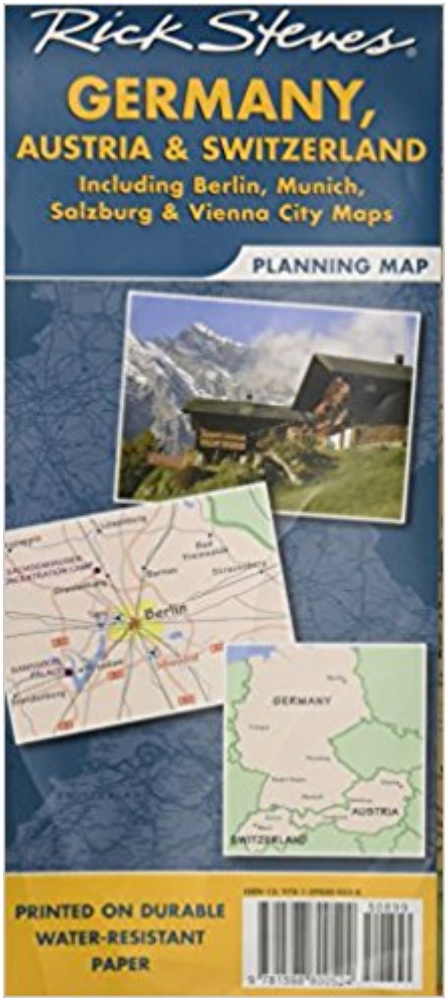
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Synopsis

Designed specifically for Rick’s travel audience (or users) these maps highlight choice destinations throughout Germany, Austria, and Switzerland, from the shore of the North Sea to the towering Alps, in a colorful, easy-to-use format on high-quality paper that lasts over many trips:• Cuts the Clutter: While big cities are left for navigational purposes, this map is otherwise stripped clean and filled in only with places that matter to travelers.• Guidebook-Friendly: At a glance, all the places you read about in Rick’s Germany, Austria, and Switzerland guidebook pop right out in a crisp, easy-to-read format.• Rail or Road: Includes important train lines and highways (and ferry routes) for easy route-planning, no matter how you’ll get around.• The Back’s Even Better: The reverse side includes detailed city-center maps of Berlin, Munich and Vienna, locating sights, hotels and restaurants from Rick’s city chapters.

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Customer Reviews

Beautifully ornate Neuschwanstein Castle, frothy beer at Oktoberfest, skiers schussing down the slopes and dodging snowflakes in the Tirol, Julie Andrews and the The Sound of Music--Germany, Austria, and Switzerland conjure up countless fairy-tale images. There are so many, in fact, that making decisions about how to spend your time in the region may be difficult. Enter Rick Steves. He began traveling, and writing about travel, at the green age of 14. Since then, his ineluctable Eurocentric passion has developed into his livelihood, with a series of guide books, a Web site, a tour company, and a public television program. Steves believes that you should use your travel

time--and your money--wisely; see what's representative of the countries you plan to visit; and allow room for "magic moments." To that end, Rick Steves' Germany, Austria & Switzerland 1998 provides just enough information to guide you to "the best" attractions, but at a reasonable cost. Each country section begins with quick facts--size, currency, population--then quickly gets into the meat of the guide: ranked lists of sights (from "worth getting up early and skipping breakfast for" to "worth knowing about"), maps, and recommendations on transportation, accommodations, and where to dine. Those whose wanderlust must be confined to a period of days should follow one of the suggested itineraries; they're intended to give you a taste of the region without pushing you into sensory overload. If you're staying for five days, visit Munich, Bavaria, and Salzburg; if you've got a full week, then add Rothenburg and take a breather. Or, in the name of Rick Steves, find a "Back Door angle" and create your own plan. For those who expect their guide books to entertain as well as inform, Steves's high-on-life approach will be a good fit. (If you detest puns and can't tolerate occasional hyperbole, then you should probably try a guide of a different flavor.) Of the Swiss, he writes that "like Boy Scouts ... [they] count cleanliness, neatness, punctuality, tolerance, independence, thrift, and hard work as virtues, and they love pocketknives." He also expounds, briefly, on the virtues of German cuisine: "Nutella is a chocolate-hazelnut spread that may change your life." Who can argue with that? --Heidi Robinson --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Today's tourists are as likely to be toting Rick Steves as Giorgio Armani, tasting the good life without burning through the Kids' college fund. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

You can really tell that Steves loves Germany and Austria because this is one of the best guidebooks in his series. First things first--this is not a regular guidebook in that it doesn't show an endless list of cities that you will probably never visit. Instead, he figures that you'll have less than two weeks for your vacation, so he picks out the places that he thinks you will enjoy the most. If you are looking for a more complete listing, then another guidebook would be better. Getting back to the guide, he has a particular flair for finding the scenic beauty of this region of Europe, and he gives lots of advice for finding those picture perfect spots that you're looking for. Also, Steves is good at tapping into the beer hall scene, so if you're thinking of checking out Bavaria, you'll be able to get some good tips. Of course, you can get better recommendations from a local though. Just think of this as a starter kit, and once you make a few contacts and start talking to the locals, you'll be able

to find the places that aren't list in any guidebook.Another good thing about this guidebook is that the maps are fairly easy to follow. The downtown maps for cities are especially good. However, this book is for train travelers. If you are going to be driving, you'll need to pick up a seperate road map because there aren't any good road maps in this guidebook.

this map was a big help in planning a 2 week trip in Bavaria, Alsace France,Switzerland and Austria.easy to read and a very good source for locating towns villages along the way

Very pleased with map; will use for our trip to Germany in November.

Map is kind of simple, but very useful for planning purposes.

First and foremost, to clarify, this product that you are supposedly reading reviews for is Rick Steves' MAP of Germany, Austria and Switzerland. It appears that the other reviews are of Rick Steves' guidebooks! Again, this product is NOT one of Rick Steves' famous guidebooks (which I would always rate as 5 stars, incidentally!). This map is very basic; don't count on using it to find your way around a country or city. Only the major cities and towns are marked. Likewise, in the city maps of Berlin, Munich, Salzburg and Vienna, only the major thoroughfares are mapped. You should use this map only as a reference to his guidebook of the region to plan your trip. You will want to get a 'real' map that's much more detailed, e.g. Michelin, when you arrive. Best part of this map? The cool water resistant paper on which it is printed. Especially if you have small children who are apt to spill liquid, as mine did on Day One upon receiving it from !

Not as detailed as i would like at all. Products by AA publishing were much better. This map wont help you if you're lost. roads not labelled well enough. No back roads labeled at all. Too much empty space on the paper that should have been filled with roads, attractions, parks etc.

We will be using this a lot

very good

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