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### Sam says

This guide combines quick reference sections to help plan a trip to the famed historic city then a more detailed breakdown of each area including the places to visit, where to eat and where to drink. There is also a useful rundown of where to stay and the best places within each part of the city depending on budgets, reasons for visiting and the like, not to mention some details on the history of the city, its customs, politics, arts and way of life. There is even a pull out map to make navigation around the city that little bit easier. Overall this is fairly well written and easy to follow and acts as a great starting point but it is a little harder to find specifics if you know what you're looking for.

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### Anne says

2013 edition

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### Juan says

Reseñar y puntuar guías de viaje me produce un cierto cosquilleo espiritual: es algo tan freak que solo estando trastornado mentalmente como yo podrías entender. ¿Qué separa a una guía de viaje de las 3 a las 4 estrellas? ¿Y de las 5? Son todas preguntas de grandísimo interés y que me acongojan en las solitarias noches de invierno.

Esta guía de Roma, lugar donde planeo pasar unos días en un futuro indeterminado, cumple pulcramente su cometido llenando mi cabeza y mi Evernote de planes e ideas, pero no termina de hacer que centre el mapa en mi cabeza como sí me pasó recientemente, por ejemplo, con su guía de NY. Quiero decir que tengo más o menos claro qué cosas quedan al norte de la ciudad y qué cosas al sur, pero cómo encajan todas esas piezas en el mapa y llevan de unas a otras no me ha quedado nada claro y me obliga a consultar mis aplicaciones cartográficas, algo nada deseable a estas alturas que ya he terminado de leerla.

Por otra parte, creo que los capítulos finales, en los que te hablan de la arquitectura romana a través del tiempo y cosas similares, son más propios de otro tipo de libros y los datos que contienen deberían estar en las entradas correspondientes a cada edificio, porque lo que uno hace es llegar a un sitio e irse a la entrada en la guía para entender qué está viendo, y no va a ponerse a pensar si el libro incluía otros datos sobre el mismo en una sección oscura al final. Quizá esto pueda parecer cuestión banal o menor, pero ya avisé de que estoy un poco trastornado.

Sea como sea, no demostrará toda su valía hasta que llegue a la ciudad y vea si sus recomendaciones son plenamente válidas; gente que la conoce bien me dice que acierta en las obviedades, pero sus recomendaciones de cosas menos obvias no son tan acertadas. El tiempo me dirá quién tiene la razón; yo, por mi parte, me he leído de principio a fin esta guía de viaje de Roma porque siempre quise ser un digno personaje de una novela de John Kennedy Toole.

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### **Candi says**

I feel much cooler being a tourist when I have my lonely planet. Much more helpful than the confusing maps the hotel gave us. When I looked at the incredible ruins, I had a context to place them in since the guide goes into a little of the history and specifics on certain sites. Will definately bring it along the next time I go.

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### **Bar6ara says**

I might be being a bit harsh with 2 stars, but I wasn't very impressed with some of the recommendations. Still, it's good for planning what to do based on where things are and learning a bit of history about places. Everywhere the book recommended for food and shopping I was interested in turned out to be real disappointing- but then those are personal taste issues and someone else might thank their lucky stars it was recommended.

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### **Pete daPixie says**

I wasn't that sold on the lonely planet guide format. Next visit to the library and I will be looking for other guides to Rome. Sure enough the information is here. The potted histories covering the past three thousand years are what would be expected from any guide to this city, along with the information for the many sites to visit. The Vatican is particularly well covered. The usual content is here, for travel within the city, places to eat, places to stay etc.

Where I thought the lonely planet guide didn't score too well for me was it's layout. I found it to be a tedious job finding my way around the city using the maps. For instance it took me a while to locate the Pantheon, shown on the map as the Piazza della Rotonda. For a pocket sized guide, what's the betting that this one doesn't hold a candle to the DK version.

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### **Neal Brown says**

I found that this Lonely Planet guide was not as well-laid-out and clear as the Dorling Kinderley travel guides.

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