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The Best Things In Life Are Free (Lonely Planet)



Synopsis

Lonely Planet's *The Best Things in Life are Free* is packed full of money-saving tips, tricks and recommendations for the best-value sights and experiences around the world. From parks, museums and exercise classes that are free, to insider ideas on food and experiences offered at great value, this book features over 60 major cities around the world and promises to help any traveller on a budget to make the most of their trip. Includes parks and gardens, street markets and food trucks, viewing points, museums and galleries, free experiences, spectator sports, city beaches, and much more. For many, free and cheap things are not only appealing but essential for stretching the funds to last as long as possible for an extended journey. Yet, even on a short trip, many unforgettable blasts of freedom and discovery can happen on a thin budget. You quickly realise that cheap can mean much, much better. No fancy Roman trattoria dinner can truly rival the bread and cheese picnic in Villa Celimontana, a short walk from the Colosseum, on a visit to the Eternal City. Needless to say, the monetary value implied in the term 'free' can misrepresent what's on offer within these pages. The quality of an experience, after all, is not always attached to a price tag, such as the priceless experience of unearthing the world's secret wonders, whether that's swimming around Sydney's ocean pools or strolling the tombs and monuments of Delhi's Lodi Gardens. Additionally, it's an exaggeration to say that everything good is 100% free, so you'll find plenty of excellent value cheap things to experience throughout this book as well. Dip into your spare change for classy street food like a choripán (chorizo sandwich) in Buenos Aires, the best views of Hong Kong's skyline from the Star Ferry and a Boston brewery tour. After using the tips in this book, you'll be left with great memories, a happier you and a grateful wallet. Happy travels!

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Customer Reviews

I first saw this book at Urban Outfitters and immediately fell in love! I love that this book takes you away from the complete mainstream tourist destinations and adds some underrated areas since the theme of the book is to save money! This way, you can learn about the lesser known options of the area you want to visit. It's a really good size- not too heavy and not too short- so you can bring it on your trips with a solid starting point for your vacation. This book doesn't cover that many countries however, and I wish there were more cities (ie there's much more to Japan than just Tokyo). I don't recommend this for a complete day by day travel guide, but more as something to gloss over when deciding where you want to go for a trip, and maybe when you're at your destination for some extra inspiration. Overall this is my favorite travel book ever and I hope I can bring this around the world with me!!PS I'm not a fan of the cover (yellow isn't my aesthetic), so if you feel the same I recommend making your own book cover for this book to add your own touch! I used a paper bag and decorated with a stationary envelope.

This book gave me a lot of great ideas.

Great price.

Great book full of interesting places to visit! I already went to the free archeological museum in Dublin Ireland

I really thought there would be so much more info but it was pretty vague esp for the united states. So if you are like me and hoping to get more info here this is not the book!!! As I said just not much in it. I live in Miami and there is a lot to do here. But I was looking for stuff from someone's perspective. This didn't have barely anything except the beach, malls and wynnwood. When we have so much more to do.. Maybe iftheydo an updated one it would've been a little better...

Very brief small casual tips on popular city destinations from all over the continent including art and culture and some touristy must see's. Not much different from the rest but I did learn something new while scanning through it so maybe you will as well.

Enjoyed and will use as a reference for future travels. Love that it gives info on each continent and major cities.

Awesome...very informative tips ... some really great information with local views as well....would be a great read before going on a trip

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