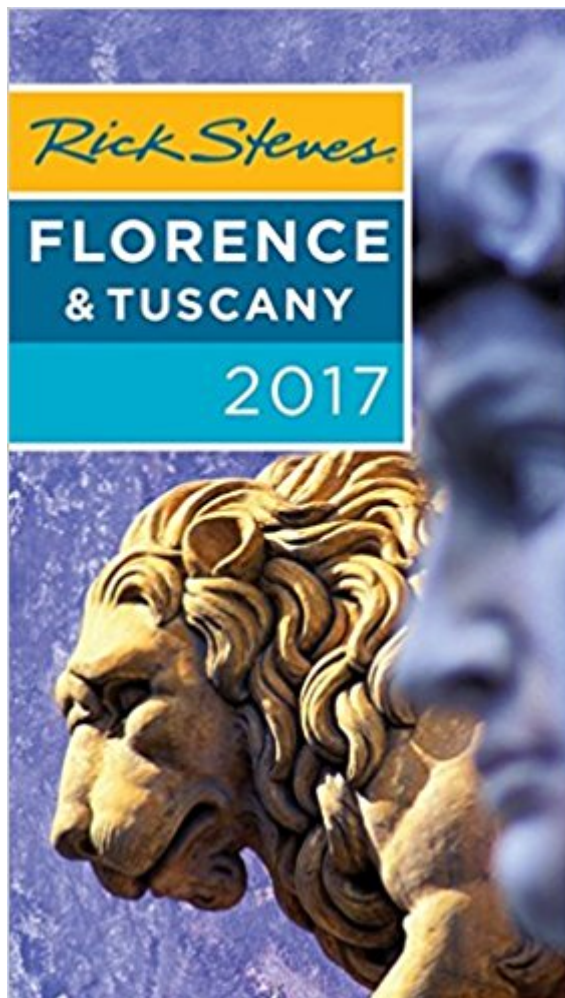


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Since 1973, Rick has spent about four months a year exploring Europe. His mission: to empower Americans to have European trips that are fun, affordable, and culturally broadening. Rick produces a best-selling guidebook series, a public television series, and a public radio show, and organizes small-group tours that take over 20,000 travelers to Europe annually. He does all of this with the help of a hardworking, well-traveled staff of 100 at Rick Steves's Europe in Edmonds, Washington, near Seattle. When not on the road, Rick is active in his church and with advocacy groups focused on economic justice, drug policy reform, and ending hunger. To recharge, Rick

plays piano, relaxes at his family cabin in the Cascade Mountains, and spends time with his partner Trish, son Andy, and daughter Jackie. Gene Openshaw is a writer, composer, tour guide, and lecturer on art and history. Specializing in writing walking tours of Europe's cultural sights, Gene has coauthored 10 of Rick's books and contributes to Rick's public television series. As a composer, Gene has written a full-length opera (Matter), a violin sonata, and dozens of songs. He lives near Seattle with his daughter, and roots for the Mariners in good times and bad.

The Tuscany part, which we needed more than the one on Florence did not have enough maps nor did it have sufficient mapping.

This is a gift to friends who are visiting Italy for the first time. Rick Steves writes delightful travel info, and this does not disappoint.

The definitive book for detailed information on Europe. Written with an opinion

I love that it's all current material, with a ton of great tips!

Excellent resource

Great guide!

Very helpful

Rick Steven guidebooks are the best and most practical. I have used them for years.

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