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Cracow (DK Eyewitness Travel Guide)



Synopsis

Ensure you have a cracking time in Cracow with this essential guide to Poland's second city. Using the unique cutaway maps and 3D models explore all the stunning architecture, cathedrals, museums and theatres this cultural hot spot has to offer. And with tips on the best bars to drink the local vodka you can soak up the true Cracow experience with the natives.

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"cleansing". Eyewitness vs. Frommers or Fodors For those who have used Fodors or Frommers guides, the Eyewitness guys have more drawings and pictures so it's easier to recognize the buildings and other items of interest and they look prettier with their higher quality glossy pages. However, they tend to be more expensive (when new) and the pictures use up space that cuts down on both the detail and breadth of items including restaurants and hotels. We used to buy one of each to get the best of both, but with 5 countries on the related trips 10 books was just too much to carry. I found the maps and organization on these guides - even the new one for Budapest we purchased - somewhat confusing.

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