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Customer Reviews

I spent a year in Singapore as an expat, so I figure I'll bring to this a different perspective than maybe some other reviews have. Anyway - what you get with this book is a high level overview of some of the great things about Singapore, as well as some really interesting side things to see and do that you most likely wouldn't even think of - which is where I give this book credit. The book offers some great ideas for walking tours, along with ideas for what to do in case you are having finding stuff to do. I ended up going to the Chinese garden many times thanks to this book letting me know about it, along with going to Pulau Ubin - a nice island to the north east of the mainland. While this book isn't exhaustive in the information, it is a quick to pick up and easy to read guide with wonderful pictures and layout. I'll admit I didn't read the book from front to cover, but that isn't the intent of this book, it's designed to be an informative guide and get you what you want to know quickly. I'm very happy I bought this, and while it may be a little dated now (I bought it in 2006), it still has a good amount of useful information in it.

In my opinion, the "Eyewitness Guides" are a must reading whenever my wife and I travel to a location we've never been before. In addition to the usual tourist information they present great

background on the history and culture of the area. This particular guide was no exception. Well worth the money by adding immeasurably to the trip.

I love all (Eyewitness Travel Guides) items .. they are the best and containing lot of information .. you can read with fun .. lot of photos. I depended on this book while traveling to Singapore.

Excelente guía, la más completa para orientarte calle por calle en un lugar tan exótico y multicultural como lo es Singapore; un magnífico artículo de viaje para explorar esta hermosa isla.

Item arrived promptly and in better condition than expected. Would buy from this seller again.

If you ever go to Singapore, don't forget to bring this book. Even if you have been there many times (I have), you will always find new and interesting sights to visit and new information you didn't know about. What I like most is the detailed map section that covers most of the central city, that is the part you would want to visit as a tourist anyway. The street-by-street pictorial maps are excellent, but not always true to detail. The general index (for looking up things) is very good. However, on the downside, I would have liked to see more budget options in the "where to stay"-chapter. Nevertheless, probably the best guidebook to buy.

I love the format of this book. Lots of pictures and maps. Flipping through the book you see things that look beautiful, fun, exciting, interesting and tasty. A picture is worth a thousand words, and this short, compact book packs a lot of information. Text is only used to explain concepts and history, while pictures are used to show places to visit, things to do, things to eat, with lines back to their source on an easy to read map. It really is an excellent way to convey this type of information. I will be making the trip to Singapore later this year, and this book will be right there with me.

Seduced as I am by the highly glossy, supremely compact and wonderfully illustrated DK Eyewitness Travel Guides, I suppose I am somewhat biased as a reviewer. The combination of succinct text, numerous useful details, spectacular photographs, eye-catching 3-D graphical images, and user-friendly maps make the Eyewitness Travel Guides uniquely useful, distinctive and even collectable. The new Singapore book is no exception to these considerations, so much so, I wish I had it my disposal when I visited there last year, if only for the invaluable details it provides. Now

shortly before leaving for Singapore once again, I have recently acquired this book, and it has whetted my appetite, by reminding me of the places, the colors, the smells, the greenery, the heat, and the vibrancy I had already experienced. It has also made it quite clear, exactly how much I missed last time, particularly in terms of wildlife reserves, museums, and galleries. The book contains a brief, but informative overview of the history and multi-cultural nature of this exciting island country. As with other titles in the series, the guide enables the user-traveler to gain maximum benefit from his or her visit, by highlighting THE places to visit, and what to expect from these experiences. If I have any criticisms of this, and indeed with many other Eyewitness Travel Guides, it is a shade small, with tiny text font, and it is a tad too short for my liking. But I guess they have to fit comfortably into your pocket, and, in any case, you cannot have too much of a good thing, otherwise you may just stay at home and gloat over the marvellous pictures.

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