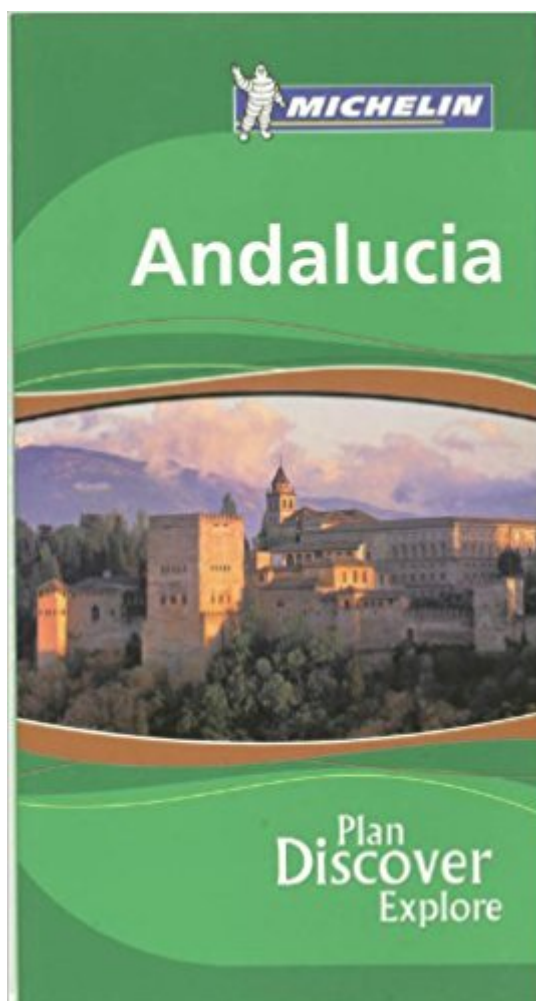


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Customer Reviews

We bought the new edition as our other was wearing out...we go to Andalucia every year for 3 weeks and thought an updated guide would prove useful...not that this one isn't useful but we found things missing (no mention of Flamenco in Cordoba), fewer details re: some sites, and limited hotel suggestions...in some ways there is more information..like how to find the caves in Velez Rubio which wasn't sited in the old guide...we have thought about bringing both older and newer versions to Spain this year, but will probably stick with the newer one...ah...such a dilemma.

This guidebook was a terrific resource for a vacation in Andalucia. The detailed maps and descriptions of historic sites are excellent. Hotel and restaurant recommendations were also very good. The introduction to the guide is an excellent source of history and culture.

This guide has lots of information about the various parts of Andalucia including places to see, stay, and eat. It also shows several tours of multiple cities each of which can be done in a day or two.

I really enjoyed reading this book. A great resource for traveling in the Andalucia

Michelin guides are always a great source of reliable and comprehensive information. I love them because by giving so much detail they allow me to choose as I go, and not having to rely in the narrow selection of a (good) travel writer. This guide on Andalucia is not an exception. The fluid text helps to recreate the landscape, traditional architecture and cultural vivacity of such a rich region. It is a very good guide, but still far from the best by Michelin. Comparing this 2nd edition to the first one, there was lots of editing, especially condensing and cutting text. The first version was a bit too wordy and meandering, but in my opinion there was too much cuts, especially on minor sites and description of sites. Also, surprisingly, there was nothing new - and there are always some new museums (Almería, Málaga, La Línea, Moorish baths in Cordoba), important reopenings after restoration (Los Remedios at Estepa, Santiponce), and good content missed in previous editions (ever heard of Zufre? Mulva? La Hoz de Rute?). Coverage of natural sites is still a weak point of this guide; and a few extra maps of scenic drives and city plans (e.g. Antequera, Osuna, Priego) would help. In the end it was a surprise to see how increasing fonts and line spacing led to more pages in spite of less content. I'll rather keep the first edition.

Michelin is always a great source of reliable and comprehensive information. I like plenty of details so I can make my choices as I go, review my plans, envision and compare options in my mind. Many guides in the market just give the author's picks or are excessively opinionated (e.g. Rough Guides). It is rare to find deep and well-informed text, a good understanding of the local culture, off-the-beaten track sites. Andalucia can't be visited in 1-2 days, and is incredibly rich and complex; seeing a few great places just off the hotel gives too little, considering how much is there. This guide is very good. The text is perhaps too wordy in some places, but recreates well the landscape, traditional architecture and cultural vivacity of this fabulous region. It is not the best from Michelin, but is a great start. I prefer this 1st edition to the second, where there was too much editing, especially cutting text. And, surprisingly, nothing new, less content and more pages! All in all, I'll keep my old and good first edition.

We've just returned from a one week excursion into Andalucia using the Michelin guide as our chief resource. We found the level of description and recommendations exemplary. They are what I have long expected from Michelin guides. However the integration of maps with text is often nonexistent. Locations of recommended hotels and restaurants are not indicated on the maps, which often have missing street names as well. This makes it impossible to find desirable locations using the maps, and becomes especially difficult if you happen to be driving a rental car. Fortunately we brought our

own gps. Drivers beware!

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