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Frommer's Montreal And Quebec City (Frommer's Color Complete)



Synopsis

This book features hundreds of full-color photos to bring this cultural mecca to vivid life. Completely updated every year, Frommer's Montréal & Québec City features everything you need to know to enjoy the sights and experiences that await you in two of North America's most romantic cities. Our author hits all the highlights, from Vieux-Montréal to Québec's fascinating Musée de la Civilisation. She's checked out all the best hotels and restaurants in person, and offers authoritative, candid reviews that will help you find the choices that suit your tastes and budget. You'll also get up-to-the-minute coverage of shopping and nightlife; detailed walking tours; accurate neighborhood maps; advice on planning a successful family vacation; and side trips to the Laurentians, Cantons-de-l'Est, Île d'Orléans, Montmorency Falls, Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré, Parc Mont Ste-Anne, and Central & Upper Charlevoix. Frommer's Montréal & Québec City also includes a color fold-out map.

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We used this on a recent trip to QC and Montreal and I'm comparing it to these two competitors, the AAA tourbook and to the guides for each city put out by the province of Quebec (might be put out by the individual cities, I'm not sure) -- and I got those "official" guides at my local AAA office when I picked up the tour book (you can also get them in the tourist info offices in each city). Obviously they all duplicate each other very much -- the difference in the way they are organized. I surely find the AAA book best of all for hotel information -- there's no comparison there. We didn't use either for restaurant information. In terms just of sight-seeing/touring, Frommers beats AAA because it gives individual walking tours with maps of specific areas and we found that pretty good. The AAA book is adequate in this respect, it too gives individual tours but Frommers is more detailed and generally better. However, the city guides put out by the provinces are pretty good and maybe even better than Frommers. The problem with Frommers is that they have the same information in different parts of the book, so for example if you want to read about the incredibly charming and fun area around the Mont-Royal metro stop you have to look in 3 places whereas it's all in one place in the province's guide. Both guides give good if somewhat different information. Additionally, the Frommers book is just harder to carry and would not fit in my pant pockets whereas the provincial city guides are smaller and did fit. Frommers includes 2 detachable, fold-out maps of QC and Montreal in the back of the book. The one for QC is OK because QC is pretty small (that is, the part of QC you want to visit -- the old city). But the map of Montreal is inadequate just because Montreal is too big and the fold out map did not cover it all. You'll do better with the Streetwise map of Montreal also available on

This book is described as a "new" edition, and has a different author than the 2011 edition. I bought it for an upcoming trip to Quebec City and Montreal. I have the 2011 edition from a prior trip. The improvements in this edition are the color photos, and the layout is more visually appealing. Just like the 2011 edition, it gives a good overview of the two cities and surrounding area, but neither edition provides much information beyond the obvious tourist highlights. If you have the 2011 edition however, don't buy this book. Given that this edition has a new author, I expected new content, or at least a different narrative on the content contained in the 2011 edition. I spent two hours paging through this book last night, and randomly compared pages to the 2011 edition. In that two hours, I did not find ANY different content from the "new author." The paragraphs I compared were verbatim

from the 2011 edition. I expected that a new author would put her own stamp on the description, even if the same places/events are being described. Not at all. Obviously, I have not done a line by line comparison, but if you have the 2011 edition, I would not recommend buying this one.

Never been in Montreal before and decided to buy this book before going. I can tell you that it was really good decision to do that. Very helpful information about the hotels and especially about restaurants. I also liked the 3 days tours. I used it a lot and very recommend you to buy it. Besides, it was updated information. Natalia. September 11, 2012.

Very helpful guide book. We were in Quebec City in May 2014 and this book went with us everywhere! It was just the right size! It was easy to follow and find what you were looking for. The maps were great! We found the reviews of restaurants and area attractions to be pretty much "on the money". I have always used Rick Steves' books for Europe and was disappointed to find that he didn't include Canada in his collection but ...no matter...Frommer's filled the bill perfectly! (And it cost must less)!

I found this very helpful in planning my trip to Quebec City. The full-color photos were great and the suggested itineraries (especially the suggested walks around the old town area) gave me plenty of ideas. Also useful were the suggestions for things to do outside of the city, such as the waterfalls. The only problem: I never planned to go to Montreal, so I really didn't need half of this book. I wish there were one just for Quebec City. It would have been cheaper and lighter and more convenient!

Guidebooks can be iffy propositions, but with one exception this book covered everything I needed to know about Montreal for a trip I took last week. We were quite pleased to find terrific restaurant picks, and the pocket map was extremely helpful for navigating by foot and car. The guide book did steer us wrong at one point on the closing time for the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, but we were still able to enter their excellent special exhibit.

I used Frommers for our trip to Rome and Florence and couple years back and was totally pleased. So, when we decided to take a trip to Montreal and Quebec they were naturally the one we turned to. They have very good advice, cool trip plans, love the map, and very convenient size to carry with you while walking.

Perfect for what we needed to plan our trip. Especially helpful were the street maps. Would recommend it to anyone planning to go to Quebec.

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