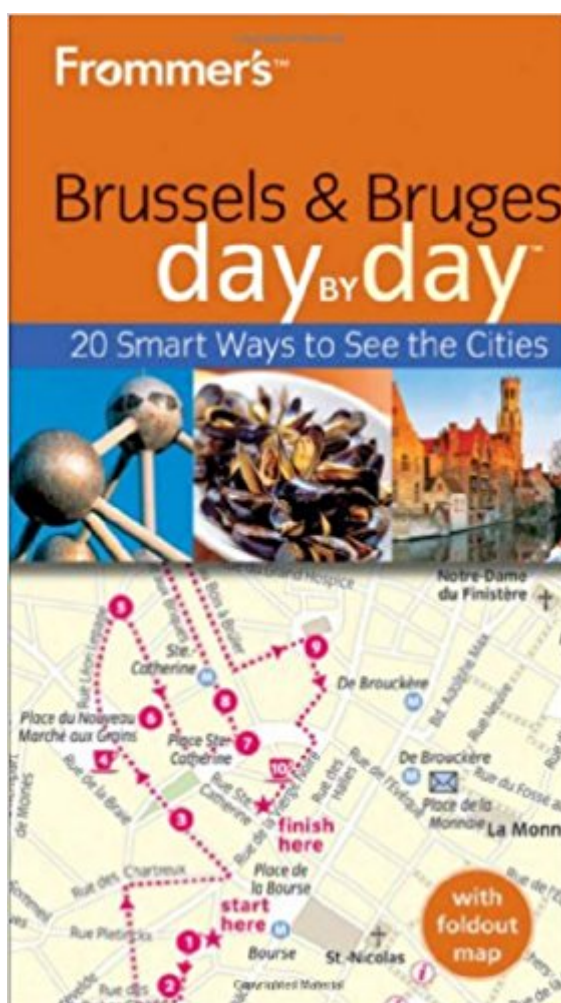


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Frommer's Brussels And Bruges Day By Day (Frommer's Day By Day - Pocket)



Synopsis

Brussels & Bruges Day By Day is the perfect pocket guide book for independent travellers providing a practical, colourful format with useful, clear maps and expertly designed tours. The guide highlights the must-see places and offers knowledgeable opinion on where to stay, eat and shop. Includes special interest tours for the kids, for art lovers, especially surrealist Magritte, Art Nouveau architecture enthusiasts, foodies who enjoy beer and chocolate, and cartoon strip fans. Details great neighbourhood walking tours around Brussels, exploring Saint-Géry and Sainte-Catherine, the Marolles, Laeken, and Ixelles. The Best Dining from classic Belgian cuisine of carbonnades, stoemp, and mussels to sushi. The Best Nightlife around traditional Belgian beer halls and Art Nouveau cafés. The Best Arts and Entertainment including the best jazz clubs and rock venues. The Best Lodging from budget to luxury boutique hotels. Bruges - a complete section dedicated to Bruges, touring the magical canals, the cafés of the Markt square, Michelangelo's Madonna and Child in the Onze-Lieve-Vrouwe-Kerk and lace-making at the Kantcentrum, as well as all the town's best hotels, restaurants and shops. Helpful tips and all you need to know to make the most of your trip. Maps to accompany every tour as well as a fold-out map in a plastic case. From the Book: Beer in Brussels Photo by MaggieMay25/Frommers.com Community, Belgium Beer Weekend Brussels is the center of Belgium's huge beer industry, where the alcohol content is high and the varieties are plentiful. Where to Drink: Head to local watering holes, such as the Puppet Cellar at Poechenellekelder, the historic Mort Subite and Delirium, which serves more than 2,000 types of beer: Le Bier Circus, Le Falstaff, and Le Cirio are also popular haunts offering Belgian blondes, browns, reds and everything in between (beers, not women). Experience 225 beers at the annual Belgium Beer Weekend each September. This year falls over Labor Day weekend (Sept. 3-5). Average price for a beer: €3.50 Pick up a copy of "Frommer's Brussels and Bruges Day By Day" for more tips.

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After co-writing books on Japanese prints and on guitars, Mary Anne Evans turned to her more immediate surroundings and became one of the leading travel writers on London and Britain, specializing in restaurants and hotels. Several guidebooks and many magazine articles later, Europe beckoned, particularly Belgium, a country which is still one of Europe's lesser-known gems.

For the high ratings the Frommer's Day by Day books had, I expected them to be a lot better. I got this and the Paris book for a recent trip and was very disappointed. The maps are not great, I wasn't impressed. You can easily see pretty much all of Brussels in one day of walking if you have a plan and this book only had you going a handful of places in "the best in one day" section. Another example was the Notre Dame de Sablon church. This guide barely mentions it at all in the middle of a section on one page in the "the best in two days" section. Along with this book we had Rick Steves' Snapshot Bruges & Brussels in which he had it as a "don't miss". This ended up being one of our favorite things to see in Brussels and we would have totally missed it if we had only been using the Frommer's book. I would highly recommend the Rick Steves book over the Frommer's. Rick Steves' walking tours in his book were WAY better and he gave much more insider info that really helps if you've never been there before. Very disappointed in this book.

I'm sure everyone has a certain style of travel book that they prefer so I could be biased, but I

always go for the Frommer's Day by Day books for each new city I travel to. It's so helpful to know what sights you must see and restaurants you must eat at if you have only one, two, or three days in a major city. It also has suggestions on what to see and do if you're an art aficionado, have kids, or other special interests. I love that the book is small and easy to transport (can fit in your pocket) but is sort of like a "choose your own adventure" book, where you can pick how you want to see a city and it has it all laid out for you.

My wife and I did a three city tour for 10 days in Europe and we got three "Day-by-Day" Frommers books for each city, and I'll tell you my vacation would have sucked had it not been for these books. Not only does Frommers make discovering the city much more easier but the way information is organized is very easy to read, find and consume. I definitely like the neighborhood walks which allows you to discover "nooks and crannies" that you would have never thought of to see. I definitely recommend the paper back copy (I am a firm believer of electronic everything) as its much more convenient to reference and use than an electronic copy. The folded map in the back of the book is solid quality and has a good thickness to it, you can take it out and fold back up all day long and it will not rip. These books are perfect for anyone visiting a European city, you will definitely appreciate your visit with Frommers.

I purchased this book to research a one day trip from Paris and it has everything I need to know. Clear, smart & concise, glossy maps and pertinent information to take on the go. Thanks Frommer's!

I loved Brussels. This was a surprise joy on a multi-city European summer vacation. The guide book steered us in the right direction with recommendations for hotel, transportation and local sites, food and beverages

I always like and prefer Frommer's. It is the best guide to travel around the world. I just love it!

Book arrived in great shape. No mention of the map missing from description.

The book came very quickly. However, it is not as informative as I would have liked. I wish there were more about Bruges.

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