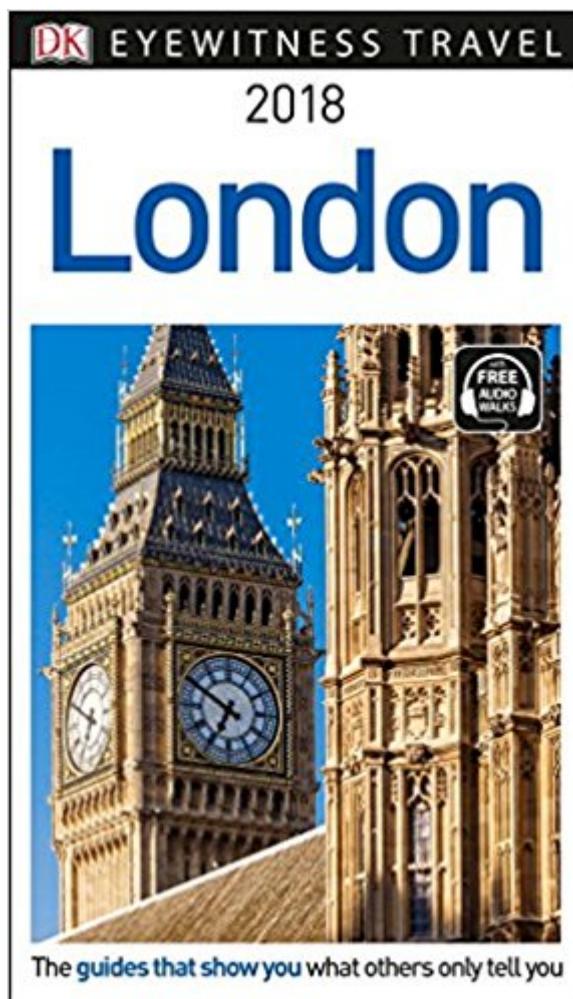


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If that is London calling for you, you better rush right out and buy yourself a copy of DK's London guide. I have just finished my trip to London & Scotland, using both of the DK guides and once again, I felt they provided what I needed to take a relatively short span of time and help me to decide what the plan A (must see) and plan B (would like to see, but ok to drop if needed) items would be. In all of the guides, including this one, there is history, a description of the times to go, what the weather may be like, any festivals, etc, a breakdown by area, and my most favorite thing of all the full color, glossy drawings and pictures of the sites, including street maps, cut aways and detailed information about the most popular sites. In the back is survival info...all the things you want to know but might not want to ask. I am the planner of the trips in my family, so it is really nice to be able to put an agenda together then be able to have a good visual to show hubby to see what he thinks. I have found all of the guides to be very well done and London was no exception. I felt that I

really maximized my time and I knew what to expect going there. The one area that I have to admit I don't use much is the restaurant/hotel section. I just never seem to find exactly what I want there, and go to other sources, mostly online for that piece, but overall, a really well done guide and excellent resource. If London is calling, you would be doing yourself a favor in picking up this book to help you guide your planning. It is money well spent.

I bought this because I'm planning a trip to London next year. I'm familiar with the DK Eyewitness series, I own many of them, this did not disappoint. I prefer DK to Fodor's even Frommers most of the time. They all give detailed reviews of activities, hotels, restaurants etc. However, the edge that DK has is the awesome photography. It is great to see pictures of the places that they are describing. It helps me to narrow down the places that I want to visit. I'm a fan of DK travel series and will stick with them the next time I need a travel book.

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I usually buy Fodors, and I did for our cruise, but I liked using the two books together. I would read Fodors, then go to DK for the pictures and maps. I'll take the DK book with me on my trip, but I think I needed both to do the planning. Neither was sufficient on its own. Fodors helped me limit the choices to what I really wanted to see, and DK helped me find it on the map and showed me pictures to help make my final decisions. Also, Fodors gave me the transportation specifics of which route or bus to use, then the DK showed me where the train station was and where it was in relation to the other attractions.

The best guides books. This is my 3rd updated version.

I loved the colorful photos. There were a few symbols in the description of places that were not identified on the back cover. There was a hand with a symbol with money that I think meant you had to pay for admission, but it would have been more helpful for that to appear on the symbol explanation list on the back cover. And it would have been helpful for admission prices to be listed for each venue. That was my only complaint. I didn't like having to look all that up. I loved, loved the pull out laminated map of the tube. So helpful.

Eyewitness is my preferred travel guide for history and sights over alternative brands of travel book. It doesn't have all the hotel and restaurant info that some of the others do, but that kind of info gets out of date so quickly and can all be found online. I'm pretty sure the restaurants and places listed in these books will be around for years to come. Most of the info is about structures and attractions which don't change very often. The pull-out maps are quite handy if you can bring yourself to actually tear them out of the book! I read through these at home but am going to purchase the Kindle versions for use on my iPad mini while traveling.

After previewing several London travel books at the library, I decided that the DK Eyewitness guide was best for me. Great information, great visuals, guided walks, a little heavy but relatively compact. Best feature: the city and transportation maps. I am pleased enough with the purchase to believe that for my next trip, I'll be heading towards an Eyewitness Travelguide book again.

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