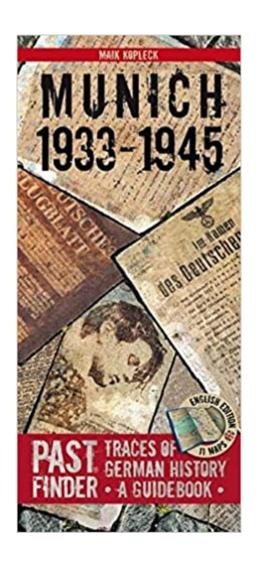


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Munich became the capital of the Nazi movement. From 1931, the Nazi Party made the city its administrative center, and the fuhrer had a private residence in Munich until 1945. The SS was founded in the Bavarian capital, and used it as a base from which they were able to spread terror across the whole of the German Reich. Munich, just like Berlin, was to be rebuilt according to Hitler's ideals, with wide boulevards and buildings of monumental grandeur. Maik Kopleck's "PastFinder" takes you to the well-known and less well-known sites of Nazi history in Munich. It gives a concise account of the historic events and introduces the most important personalities of the city. Several maps and a clear graphic design will help you put together your own sightseeing tour.

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not as in-depth on each subject as I;d like it to be, but is a comprehensive listing of little-known sites with enough information to make you want to explore them more.

I bought this book before I went on my trip to Munich to have an idea of some of the Third Reich Sites and it was an excellent Guide.

I had been shown the Berlin version by a friend and knew this would be a good book for my side trip to Munich. It is a perfect size and thickness. A bit tall but the width allowed me to carry it in my jacket inside pocket the whole time walking around and seeing the sights. There is a lot of good

information here on history that is interesting even if you are not immediately going to Munich. Plenty of pictures and some full page size that gave you a good feel of then and now. In particular, the view of Odeonsplatz and Feldherrnhalle in the 30s/40s with the 9.November remembrance of those fallen in the Putsch and the swearing in of SS soldaten. You can really stand there, have the picture in this guide, see what it looked like then compared to now. It also has some "hidden" areas that only those of WW2 interest would notice. Part of the afternoon I went on a surviving Swastika hunt as almost all buildings have been de-Nazified after the war. There are some remnants if you have this book to tell you where to look. I also carried a Rick Steve's Germany guide but relied on this book more for maps than anything else. In that regard, I do wish the author could add a few more travel oriented descriptions on the map. In the book text he tells the nearest S/U-bahn station for each location but on the map there is just a U or S with no named label. All the info is there inside the book but more helpful if it were on the map so you can quicly reference when watching for that next stop on the U-bahn. Regardless, a great book!!

I first enjoyed the Berlin Pathfinder 1933-1945 guidebook. I am a history buff and especially enjoy this period. I have been to Berlin, Munich and Obersalzberg so these books document everything the way it was during this period and advises you of the opportunity to see the historical venue now if it is still standing. This series is one of my favorite to capture those years and to use as a guidebook.

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