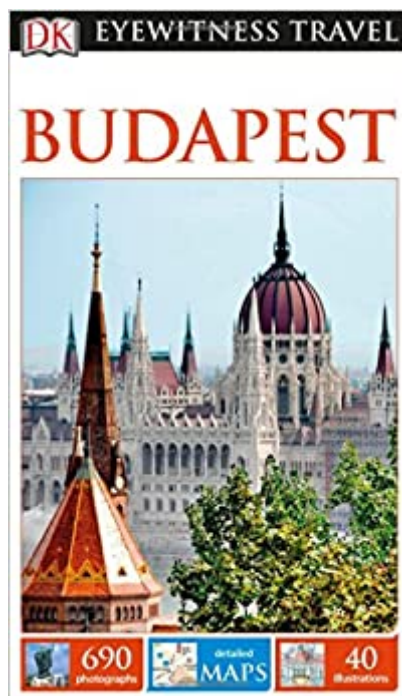


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# DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Budapest



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• Chicago Tribune "The best option | Color photos, maps, and diagrams bring the place to life."  
• The Philadelphia Inquirer

As always, these Eyewitness travel books are perfect eye candy and they provide all kinds of beautifully-illustrated details to look for in the city architecture. Their Budapest volume is no exception, full of cultural and historical detail. However, I was very disappointed to see that although it was supposedly updated in December 2012, most of the maps and directions still use the names that were changed in May 2011. There are still references to Moskva tŕ (now Szŕ) Kŕlmŕn tŕ) Roosevelt tŕ (now Szŕchenyi Istvŕn tŕ) on some of the maps and guides, although the big pull-out maps and part of the text have the new names. Rick Steves' Budapest is a better choice for updated information, although it lacks the gorgeous visual allure. I'm still planning on taking both books, but since now I'm concerned about the overall quality of the maps and directions in the Eyewitness Budapest, I'll use it only as an index of attractions.

I am in Budapest as I write this review and the Eyewitness Travel guidebook has been invaluable. Excellent job with accessing information about using public transportation, excellent easy-to-read maps. I followed the recommendation for the Boscolo Residence Hotel on Osvat Ut. and didn't regret it. Wonderful apartment at reasonable price- great location, clean, in-unit clothes washer, ironing board, kitchen with stove and microwave, dishwasher, fully equipped. It has saved me so much money to do my own breakfasts mornings.

Of all the guide books this company provides the best photos and detailed information for sightseeing. Sometimes I think they provide too much information. Sometimes excellence is more than you want when you are planning your day or walking down the street. Rick Steves is a simpler more cook book style guide that is easier to use

DK Eyewitness Travel Guides are the standard all other print guides fall short off. I 99% of everything on my smartphone when I travel. Still worth getting the Eyewitness guide before the trip,

to read on the plane, and to stick in your pack when you tour. Site guides are often as good or better than price audio tours.

the print is too light to read easily. the size of the print was fine - but it was not dark enough so we struggled to read it we have always purchased the DK books in the past - but will think twice in the future

I found this travel guide very helpful and practical during our one week-long stay in Budapest. As with all the other guides in this series I have seen and used (that is, the corresponding guidebooks on Paris, Berlin and Vienna), there is everything you need to know to plan a successful visit: abundant and easy-to use information on a good selection of sights of all kinds, including museums, monuments, churches, public buildings, famous streets, and so on; a hotel and a restaurant guide; plus all kinds of useful info on, for example, what and where to eat and drink, how to travel from/to the airport, where to shop, etc. For my purposes, I found this information (or the parts of it that I read and used) both accurate and useful. I was suspicious about the recommended restaurants section, as I had some really bad experiences when relying on the corresponding section of the DK Eyewitness Paris guidebook. But this should be no serious issue, as I found that there were no problems whatsoever in finding great food in Budapest (Paris, it seems, is mostly spoiled in this respect by the vast hordes of tourists that visit the city annually, attracted by that city's quasi-mythical status and reputation as the world's tourist attraction no. 1). Some of the restaurants we visited were mentioned in the guide, others were not (you should also note that the restaurants of Budapest are well represented on the Internet, so it might be a good idea to do some Googling before your trip to find some worthwhile restaurants NOT mentioned in the guide). Visually, this is an engaging book to read, as are indeed all the other DK Eyewitness travel guides that I have read (see above). The wealth of illustrations, including the street maps and floor plans of famous buildings, really enhance this book's usability. Although many of the photographs are rather small, their quality is quite good throughout. In addition to the usual street map section, this year's version also includes a fold-out map of Budapest, which is a nice and useful bonus. Just remember to use the most up-to-date version of the travel guide, especially if you want to use the hotel/restaurant/café/bar section of the book. The other sections are more time-resistant: for example, there are lots of information about the history of both Budapest and Hungary, which gives you the necessary background info to get the most of your trip. If you are planning a trip to a big city like Budapest, you should also bear in mind that there are always a lot of more things of interest in a

big city that can be included in a travel guide, however good. So keep your eyes open when roaming the streets - it is never a good idea to spend your holiday entirely "by the book"...

It provided a good description and pictures of all the major things to see in Budapest. After reviewing it would seem that a person would need at least a week to see all of the historically significant buildings and other things in Budapest.

Looks like it covers the subject in detail. Will know more after my trip.

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