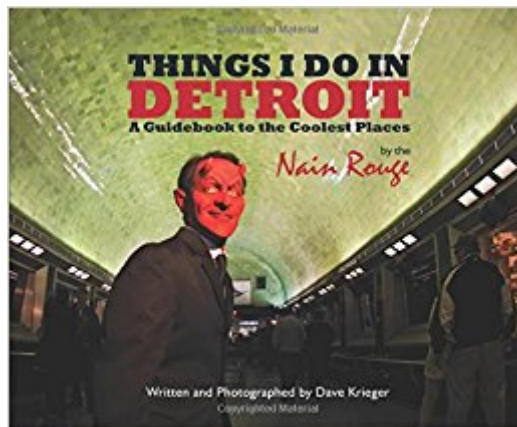




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Things I Do In Detroit: A Guide Book To The Coolest Places By The Nain Rouge



Synopsis

Detroit's fabled gnome, the Nain Rouge, shares his favorite locations in this visually rich guide book of amazing things to see and do in Detroit. An alternative guidebook that will appeal to photography and popular culture book buyers and collectors, historians, celebrity seekers, and fantasy enthusiasts. The Nain Rouge, French for red dwarf, is a fabled gnome that has lived in Detroit before it was settled by Cadillac in 1701. For over 300 years the Nain Rouge is reported to appear during various historical events throughout the city. Originally seen as a malevolent character in the folklore of Detroit, the Nain Rouge is actually the consummate outsider, blamed for any and all disasters in Detroit's history while being ignored for his positive contributions to the richness and development of the city. Activities change dramatically over the centuries and every generation brings a new excitement to Detroit. With the influx of new energy, the time has come for the Nain Rouge to reclaim his standing as Detroit's honorary grand citizen, contributor, booster and as the oldest resident historian of the city. Never to have sought credit for his contributions before, the Nain Rouge reveals himself to the public for the first time in this visually rich guide book of amazing things to see and do in Detroit today.

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Customer Reviews

As spirits go, the Nain was no angel. But a kinder, gentler fiery-looking dude is featured in a new book, *Things I Do in Detroit: A Guide Book to the Coolest Places* by the Nain Rouge. It's a collection of photos that reveals the Nain (well, a convincingly costumed stand-in) is actually a city booster who loves its rich legacy and sites. --Detroit Free Press The guide book takes you to more

than 100 locations throughout the city. The book is broken into sections, so it is easy to find what you are looking for. Each location includes a brief synopsis by Krieger, and the Nain's own take. The photos are where the book shines. There is something fun and cheeky about a smiling Nain Rouge holding a tennis racket at the Indian Village Tennis Club, or him serving Saganaki in Greek Town.

--Daily Detroit
It's written and photographed by Dave Krieger, who says he began the project as a reaction to the 'ruin porn' of the last decade. Instead of that, Krieger wanted to create an upbeat book about the intact beauties of the city. --Detroit Metro Times

A Detroit native, Dave Krieger has been a photographer, director, and film producer in Paris, LA, NYC and Detroit for over 30 years. His photography work is in the collection of the Detroit Institute of Arts. He has been recognized for his work in the New York Times Magazine and Detour Magazine among other publications and he created the iconic styling of the web based magazine, Model D. His photography credits include publications such as Rolling Stone, Marie Claire, Mademoiselle, Harper's Bazaar, Hour Detroit and many others. He has directed videos for Dark Red, Amy Gore and her Valentines and The Blackman with Thornetta Davis. Film credits include, Cash Only, Fractured, The Ides of March and This Must be the Place. His website is kriegerphoto.com.

Mr. Krieger has done a fantastic job showcasing one of my favorite cities. Seriously, a super cool, very unique approach. Beautifully shot. Well written, and highlighting tons of things that don't show up on *every* *other* "DETROIT MUST SEE" list.

It's clear that Dave Krieger loves the city of Detroit. His photography and storytelling speak to that love and we are all better for it. Whether you think the Nain Rouge is a devil, a saint, or something in between, this clever guide reminds us of the beautiful places we've been and the strange, exciting ones we have yet to discover. What a great book about a great city told by our own legendary Lutin.

Great photos and helpful to my visitors from out of town. The name theme of Nian Rouge may confuse people because he resembles Satan, but he's really okay to be part of our legends in Detroit, back to the time of the explorer Cadillac.

Great book. Love the pictures. Love the stories.

Great photography

Great Idea and great photo. I love the book!

what an incredibly original idea. Nain Rouge is a sort of Mothman Light. When bad things happened or happen in Detroit, many blame the Nain Rouge, or Red Dwarf. To have Nain Rouge portrayed in a positive light is a very clever idea. Detroit has so very much to offer. All most of us hear or see or read about D is so terribly negative, and so terribly wrong to boot. This book proves it in a very enjoyable manner. For those who love Detroit and believe in the phoenix, small p. Detroit will, and has risen. Nain Rouge proves it. Great book. Great vignettes. Well constructed. Printed in Italy. Only, only criticism I would have with this fantastic tome is that. Would have been grand to have seen a printed in Detroit label in it! Otherwise, a really enjoyable, well thought out, creative book about a grand American city.

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