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Top 10 Beijing (Eyewitness Top 10 Travel Guide)



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I'm a fan of the Top 10 series of books. They give you a good place to start for seeing the highlights of a city. I've been to Beijing a few times, and the city is so huge and complex that you need a good place to start if you only have a few days. Even if you're taking a guided tour, these books are still helpful because you'll be overwhelmed at places like the Forbidden City and want to make sure you are aware of the highlights before you step foot in it. The strongpoint of this book is the size. They practically live in my pocket when traveling and I use them for quick reference and are filled with post-it notes from research. The maps are decent for navigation when wandering around aimlessly. I've used DK Top 10 books in 20+ cities on 6 continents and am comfortable with them. They won't give you in-depth city tips, but will give you a brief overview with lots of colorful photos and nice diagrams. Certainly the more research you do, the better and that includes other books. But if you want to get started and were *only* doing Beijing and needed a Top 10 book, the DK Top 10 Beijing is a great place to start.

I found this travel guide to be extremely convenient and informative for sightseeing around Beijing. For being a small book (it fit in my jean's back pocket), this book was packed with details and facts about the sights in the city. It was well organized so you were able to flip it open to a section about the neighborhood you were walking around in and easily find information about the area around you. The book also had plenty of "advice" organized as top 10 lists. One example was the "Top 10 Things to Avoid" list that actually listed out a couple of scams that I actually witnessed on my

trip. The only setback with this book was the lack of Chinese translations in it. The language barrier in Beijing can be larger than the Great Wall at times especially when you are trying to communicate with taxi drivers or subway attendants on where you want to go. Usually, you need to plan out your day trip before you leave your hotel and ask your hotel manager to write, in Mandarin, where you want to go on a piece of paper that you would be able to show a taxi driver. A simple Mandarin translation for the place you want to go that you could point at next to titles within the book would have been IMMENSELY helpful and aided in more spontaneous day trips. All around great travel guide.

good book to have while traveling

Great guide, thank you!

The places are easy to find, the maps are great. The info is helpful. I just wish it had a little more history behind the memorials. I guess that's what you get if you buy the larger, fatter travel books. Overall it was a good book. I always, always use Top 10 or Day by day and I was not dissapointed with this one. Just wish i had more history when I got to the monuments. Also the area restaurants could use a little more description. I would recommend this book to anyone. I went to Beijing for 4.5 days. Left to Xi'an for one night. Totally worth it.

A handy guide to the central highlights in Beijing and its immediate surroundings, this book is sufficiently compact to carry around. It also comes with a detachable subway map, as well as a convenient pull-out map. Quite a lot of info in a small package.

This book made my life easy ,on my trip to Beijing. It is a smaller book than all the other tourist guides on Beijing, but has it all. I have visited a lot of the good restaurants which were mentioned in this book. Easy to carry.

The guide contains an outdated subway map. I found it very frustrating.

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