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Great Escapes Italy



Synopsis

La bell'Italia Ã" per sempre: Legendary hotels full of atmosphere To travel through Italy is as close as one gets to being in paradise. For centuries, writers, artists, architects and merchants have been drawn here, inspired by the beauty of Venice, Florence, Naples and Rome. Countless books, paintings, poems and sculptures are evidence of its undying appeal, and over the past 60 years, the country has become one of the worldâ™s top travel and holiday destinations. The loveliness of Italyâ™its architecture, landscapes, culture and food (some of the worldâ™s finest!) â™if not eternal, is certainly enduring, and the easy-going and relaxed Italian lifestyle, il dolce far niente, is still unrivaled. Here, some of Italyâ™s most amazing landscapes are brought to life, like Lake Como (residence of George Clooney), Venice, Florence and Tuscany, the Amalfi Coast, and no less magical, the Aeolian Islands off the coast of Sicily. In these mythical surroundings are legendary hotels full of atmosphere, where novels are set, movies are made, weddings are celebrated and famous love stories consummated: Villa dâ™Este on Lake Como, the Hotel Splendido in Portofino, the Il San Pietro on the Amalfi Coast and the Villa Cimbrone in Ravelloâ™to name just a few. But in Great Escapes Italy, TASCHEN also reveals where to find more secret and hidden jewelsâ™from the Locanda Cipriani, a romantic hideaway on the island of Torcello, to the atmospheric Castello di Vicarello in Tuscany. Text in English, French, and German

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Customer Reviews

"Great Escapes Italy" is a 300 page compendium showcasing fabulous Italian villas, hotels, and resorts up and down the length and breadth of the Italian peninsula. Edited and compiled by

Angelika Taschen, the full color photography of building interiors and exteriors is impressively spectacular. Enhanced for the reader with a bi-lingual text by Christiane Reiter, "Great Escapes Italy" is especially recommended browsing for the armchair traveler, and an ideal Memorial Acquisition selection choice for community library travel collections.

Not that I could afford to stay at many of these places... but this is a very nice, (very)well-made, colorful Taschen volume in their series of "world escapes". Also, some inspiring design details abound.

Fast delivery, excellent package (100% waterproof, in fact I forgot it outside during a rainfall).The book is really a nice choice, beautiful pictures and wonderful places.Just some little imperfections at the corners of the book, but since it's not an in-shelf library buying, I couldn't be more satisfied.

My mother in law received this book for Christmas and I loved it so much that I asked for a copy for my birthday. It's a wonderful collection of Italian photos. enjoy!

This was a Christmas gift; beautifully photographed but not furnishing the information I had hoped the recipient would gather from it. A disappointment both for me and the receiver.

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