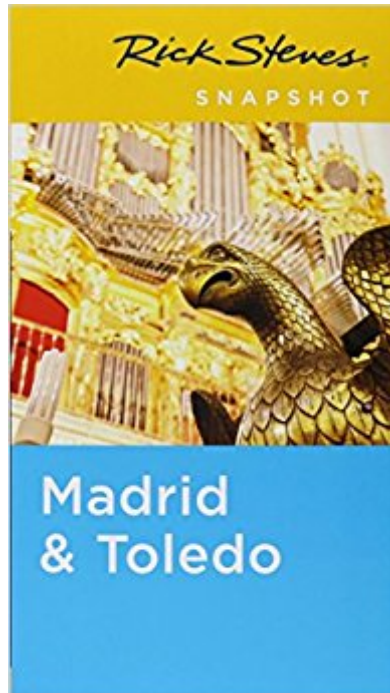




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# Rick Steves Snapshot Madrid & Toledo



## Synopsis

You can count on Rick Steves to tell you what you really need to know when traveling in Madrid and Toledo. In this compact guide, Rick Steves covers the best of Madrid and Toledo, including tips on arrival, orientation, and transportation. In Madrid, visit the masterpieces of the Prado Museum, and explore the Royal Palace. Or visit Toledo's vast Cathedral or Alcázar. You'll get Rick's firsthand advice on the best sights, eating, sleeping, and nightlife, and the maps and self-guided tours will ensure you make the most of your experience. More than just reviews and directions, a Rick Steves Snapshot guide is a tour guide in your pocket. Rick Steves Snapshot guides consist of excerpted chapters from Rick Steves European country guidebooks. Snapshot guides are a great choice for travelers visiting a specific city or region, rather than multiple European destinations. These slim guides offer all of Rick's up-to-date advice on what sights are worth your time and money. They include good-value hotel and restaurant recommendations, with no introductory information (such as overall trip planning, when to go, and travel practicalities).

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## Customer Reviews

Rick Steves has spent 100 days every year since 1973 exploring Europe. Rick produces a public television series (Rick Steves' Europe), a public radio show (Travel with Rick Steves), and an app and podcast (Rick Steves Audio Europe); writes a bestselling series of guidebooks and a nationally syndicated newspaper column; organizes guided tours that take thousands of travelers to Europe annually; and offers an information-packed website (RickSteves.com). With the help of his

hardworking staff of 80 at Europe Through the Back Door<sup>151</sup>; in Edmonds, Washington, just north of Seattle<sup>151</sup>; Rick's mission is to make European travel fun, affordable, and culturally broadening for Americans.

Good for Rick Steves style of writing and coverage of an area but a little dated and not as good as other writings, like his Barcelona Pocket Book. All black and white and no area map which saves money in production, but not as much fun or useful to use. Maps vary in quality, especially identifying landmarks and orientation. Steves needs to update this guide since these are amazing cities.

My great niece was tickled to have this guided book in advance of her studies in Madrid. Rick Steeves is our defacto information source for European travel.

This was great. I had a business trip in Madrid, with only a couple of days where I could do any sightseeing. Rick led me right to the best sights (I'm an art fan) and the best pieces in the art museum, plus he gave me great hints for an evening of tapas munching and another evening of flamenco! I will buy Rick Steves' guides again and again!

Nice size to travel in your day pack or purse. It's Rick Steves.

Rick Steves is an awesome resource for anyone who doesn't know where to start. I purchased this book for an impromptu trip to Madrid and Toledo and could not be more grateful for having a guide to help start my planning. That said, I advise anyone who purchases this book to steer away from using it as your only travel resource. Here's what you should be wary of:- The food recommendations are not as accurate as I'd hoped. Instead of relying on this book, I'd advise searching through TripAdvisor or a similar site to read traveler reviews. Several of Steves' highlighted restaurants were rated 3 stars by people on TripAdvisor and Yelp, which is a shame when there are so many incredible places to eat in Madrid and Toledo.- Rick Steves doesn't like walking. It's so apparent that it's actually a running joke among many of my friends. If anything takes longer than 5-10 minutes to walk, he'll recommend taking a bus or a cab. Keep this in mind when using his book as a planning guide because he makes the distance seem a little more dramatic than it is in reality.- Single triangle attractions are still worth your time. Steves uses a rating system of triangles (instead of stars) to indicate which attractions deserve visits. This book in particular only

has a few attractions with high ratings, which can easily make you assume there aren't great things to see in Madrid and Toledo. Don't let the triangles fool you! My boyfriend and I had a great time at the locations with 0-1 triangles. Overall, this book was well worth the money. The maps, insights, and attraction recommendations were all excellent resources as we struggled through our last minute planning. Having the physical book around while you're traveling is also wonderful, because you never know when you're going to be away from wifi. I highly recommend purchasing this book, so long as it's not your sole planning resource. :)

Needs updating!

When ever I travel, I buy Rick Steve's guide books. I find them very helpful and informative.

Rick Steve's travel guides are the best guide books ever. We've been to Europe several times and wouldn't go to Madrid without this one. Rick's books give great advice on the best sights and his maps are easy to read. We can plan our time, pick good restaurants and avoid pitfalls.

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