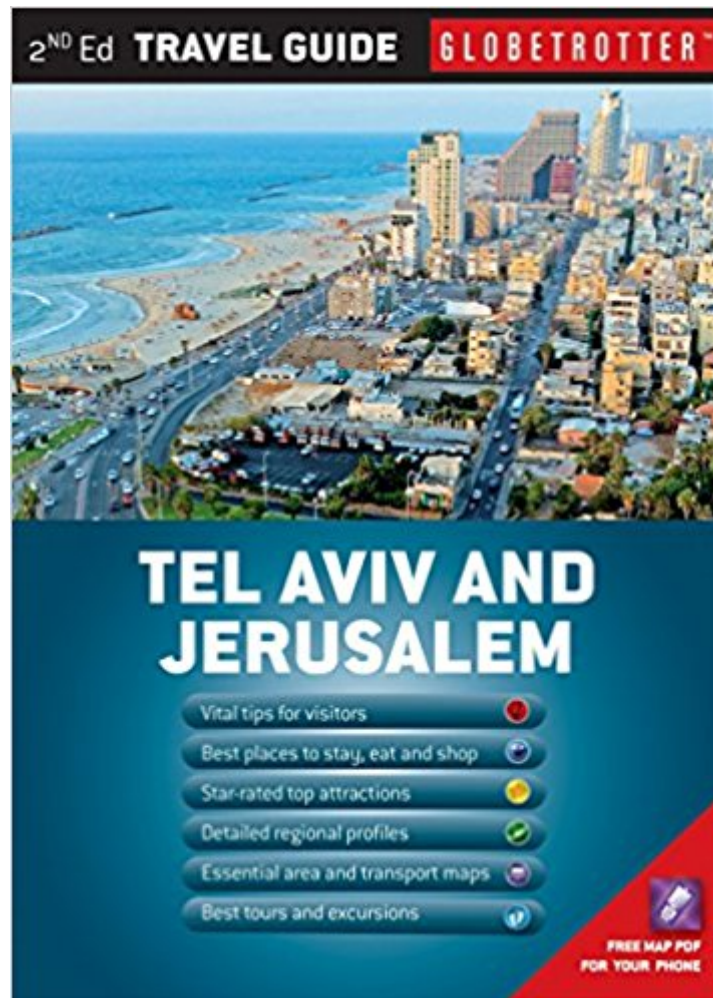




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Customer Reviews

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I purchased this pack for an upcoming trip. It sounded perfect: portable, specifically dedicated to my two major destinations, with full maps of each city tucked into a cover. Yes, the Pack is portable. But the typeface in the book is so fine, small and light that I found it very difficult to read, and I don't need reading glasses. The glossy paper stock actually contributed to its illegibility. I got out a magnifying glass to read a few of the very small marginal notes. If you have to carry one of them

around, It kind of shoots the portability idea. Worse yet, the maps were incomplete. They were my primary reason for purchasing this pack and I was really excited. I looked at the map of Jerusalem first since I'm familiar with the city, but had not stayed in the hotel we had booked. The hotel sits at the intersection of two small streets, and neither street was shown on the map. Absolutely not there! I pulled up a map on-line, and found the streets pretty quickly, since I knew some nearby landmarks. How do you plan your day's outing, when you don't know whether to turn left or right when you leave your hotel, because your hotel isn't on the map? And while on foot, it is so easy to get turned around, especially where there are many winding streets (and you don't speak the language). When that happens I look for the nearest sign post or landmark, and then locate it on my map. Sometimes I'm on the right track and feel quite proud of myself, and just as often I'm really lost. But at least I know it. And yes, I do ask for help when all else fails. These maps will only help if you are on a major street, at a major landmark (and you know which side of it you are on), or in front of one of the few hotels shown on the map. For example, the Inbal Jerusalem is a really nice hotel that I wish I could afford. It sits on little bitty Jabotinsky Street, which is hard to find on most maps. The book recommends the Inbal and you'd think Jabotinsky was a major thoroughfare. I won't belabor the point. I'm sure you get the message. I returned the Pack and got the newest Frommer's Easy Guide to Israel, which has small but complete maps of certain areas, and includes the light rail system in Jerusalem, omitted from the Travel Pack. I highly recommend the Frommer's, which is portable and legible (perhaps aided by its cheap paper). I still need new maps.

Will be going to Tel Aviv and Jerusalem for the first time in about a month. Glad to have this just-published travel aid. Excellent maps, slim travel guide in a format that is small enough to take along without taking up much space at all in my luggage. Only caveat: description on said something about phrasebook as well. Number of phrases in Hebrew with phonetic English equivalent is rather small. I kind of knew already what "Shalom" meant.

Going to Israel this summer - this book will be in my suitcase - has a lot of history information for the cities that I did not know about - very glad I bought this book.

I was hoping for a really good map of Tel Aviv, but the map is so-so. The book is okay as well, but Frommer's is better.

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