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# Lonely Planet Kyoto (Travel Guide)



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The author has lived in Kyoto for a while and seems to really appreciate and love the city and that came out in this guide....though take with a grain of salt when he says things like "this is the prettiest street in Japan" or the best this or that. The neighborhood walks were pretty good. I really loved the downtown walk, the north and south Higashiyama walks, and especially the Arashiyama walk. I also got my hotel, good deal in great location, through this guide. I used this guide for a 6 day stay in Kyoto. Would have loved to have stayed longer, but 6 days was good. One thing annoyed me is that the section on Nara as a day trip was cut short, compared with the section on Nara in the Japan-whole-country LP guide book. Same author, just pruned. If I had known, I would have taken that guidebook to Nara, which is 40 minutes away by train and has a lot of cool things to see. The Japan whole country guide additionally included a Nara walk, not reproduced in the Kyoto guide, which I really could have used. This guide also had a better selection of restaurants than the Tokyo guide, which needed some help. Also, be careful on the walks because sometimes the navigation descriptions could be a little more descriptive, though having Google Maps and a local SIM card helped immensely. Street names are mostly not spelled out in Roman letters, so be wary. Enjoy Kyoto, it's a special city.

we visited Kyoto for 10 days and we found this book pretty helpful. We ended up keeping it with us the whole time. I really liked the walking tours- especially through Gion area- very well done!! And

the pull out map was our main navigation source. Worth the price of the book by itself. I've been using Lonely Planet books since the 80's and this book does not disappoint. Also- it's small and light. Going to Kyoto? get this book. It also included stuff about Nara and a few other places around Kyoto- day trips- so that was nice.

At times, I thought this book was great, other times, I didn't like it as much. Some of the "must sees" were not that great and some highlights were not emphasized as highlights clearly. This was my first lonely planet book and I did not like it that much. The restaurant recommendation I took was okay. It is a small book and its light so it was easy to carry around. This edition (from 2015) felt really dated and there were several errors in times/cost as I moved around Kyoto.

Brilliant and extremely useful guide as it happens with most of Lonely Planet guides. Perfect to plan your own route. Full of details and very useful recommendations for places to visit, to eat, to stay...

I bought this for and used it on a recent trip to Kyoto. I didn't rely on it as much for food and hotels, but when it came to sightseeing, this guide never steered me wrong. The guide was printed last year, but the information about opening hours and admissions fees was still accurate and reliable. I would definitely recommend this for anyone who is spending several days in Kyoto and wanted to know what was worth seeing. It might not be as good for someone who's only going for a day or two, since it will make you want to see and do everything.

Better each edition

Very nice guide book if you are into touristy things

Great information; great walking tours. The 5 days rail pass with JR lines was a big money saver.

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