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H. V. Morton : The Fountains of Rome before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Fountains of Rome:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful example of travel writing from the 1960'sBy PJust received my FOUNTAINS OF ROME book by H.V. Morton, from Larry a used book seller in AZ. IT' A GREAT BOOK in GREAT CONDITION.As with the other H.V. Morton I purchased, A TRAVELLER IN ROME, FOUNTAINS is an outstandingly informative and beautifully written guide to Rome's fountains and the importance of water in Roman culture. In addition to the writing, which is descriptive, and useful, the color photographs and the older drawings are a wonder. To see a drawing of Fontana Di Trevi as it was before the present buildings "enclosed the area" was very impressive.H.V. Morton's narrative allows the reader to see the sights of Rome in their minds' eye, without all the "details" that are added to todays travel guides. His writings take the reader on a journey through the streets and back alley's of Rome that allow the imagination of the reader to ebb and flow between wonder and surprise. Mr. Morton does not find is necessary to identify every public convenience in the city of Rome or list acceptable eating establishments at the end of each chapter. Bravo.Mr. Morton presents his subjects as a friendly professor might when guiding a class of Sophmores around an art gallery for the first time. He gently points out the nuance of each aspect of a particular church or fountain and then weaves the story of that site back around to the actual description and history.The sites in both of the Morton books I have read are not just sites to be check off a list after viewing, but sites that are to be savored, over and over again, from different vantage points and from different stages in a person's life.I enjoy H.V. Morton's books quite a lot and look forward to reading more of them. Thank you. Comment | Permalink0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Morton's Books are the Best!By ROSEFANOutstanding

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