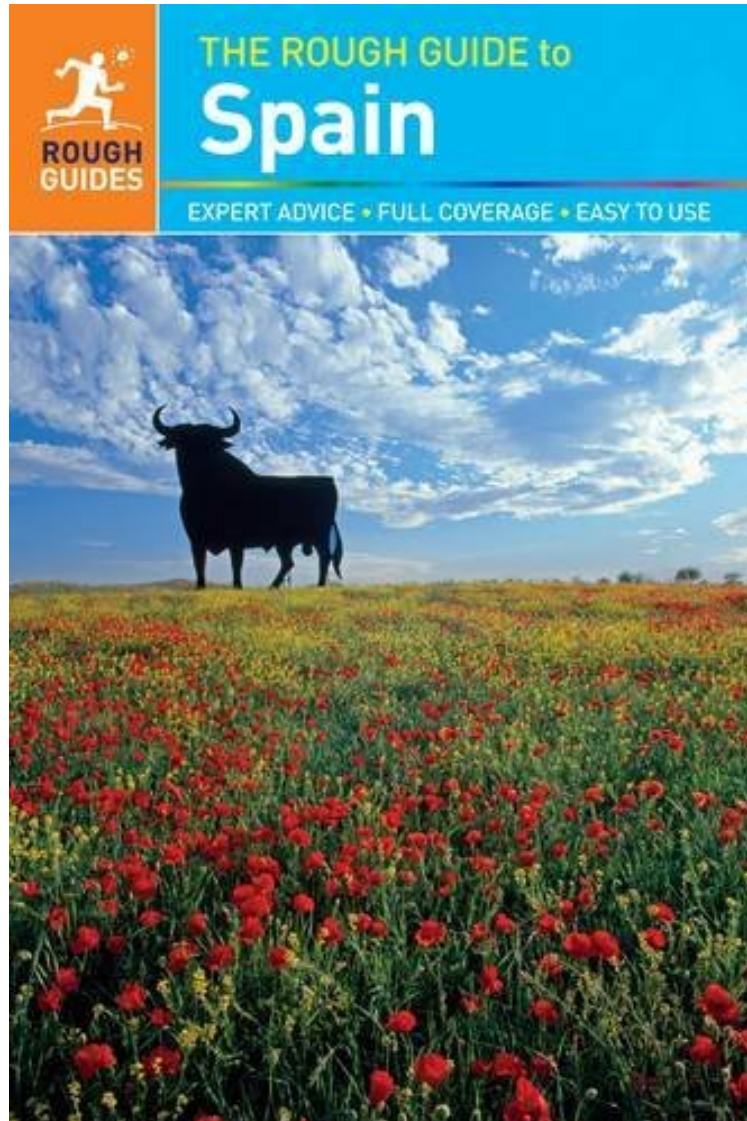


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Rough Guides : The Rough Guide to Spain before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Rough Guide to Spain:

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Generally good, but includes a lot of errors for opening times/dates By Piers Montague I used this for travel in Salamanca, Oviedo and other parts of Asturias, Segovia, and Madrid. It is a good guide for a lot of things, but NOT for entry times/dates for many places. In many, many cases wrong information is printed, which seems incredible for a book published nine months ago (it simply boggles my mind that so many monuments/sites would change their opening hours so drastically within a year). Definitely double-check the

opening times of places you plan to visit, especially in the off-season. One cave in Asturias mentioned in the book is said to be open year-round but it is not! It is closed from September to March!

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Best guide for the mind, if not the eyes. By Jon L Albee
Rough Guides are written for readers more interested in content than photography. Quite simply, other mainstream guides offer more for the eyes, but none surpasses the Rough Guide's comprehensiveness, historical and cultural contexts, and vast selection of dining, sleeping, and sightseeing options. Think of this book as more of an encyclopedia than a picture book, but it still treats you to color maps and a few nice photographs sprinkled in. Because of the series commitment to comprehensive information, expect a big brick-book written in narrative format. Chapters are arranged geographically, then broken down further into cities and towns. Then each city and town is presented, sights first, followed by listings for hotels, restaurants, shopping, etc... and other practicalities. This main content is framed by essential information in the beginning of the book, and history and cultural contexts at the end. Travelers more interested in learning about the places they visit will like this guide. The traveler who enjoys the history of a site and its cultural contribution should consult this book. This is the perfect guide for travelers who like to plan their itineraries BEFORE they go. This is the perfect guide to read while enjoying your morning breakfast and planning the rest of your day. Those more interested in the visual beauty of a site will probably find more value in one of the other mainstream guides.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great guide to the self-guided traveler in Spain
By Jack Quinn
I bought the Kindle edition of The Rough Guide to Spain so that I can carry it with the rest of my reading material on a device small enough to fit in a side pocket of my cargo pants. The book has an exhaustive list of must-sees in Spain's principal cities plus an overview of Spanish history. I am planning a three-month trip to Spain this summer, and the ebook version of the Rough Guide will be with me every time I venture out the door and onto the streets. -- Jack Quinn

The Rough Guide to Spain is the definitive guide to this captivating country, with in-depth coverage of everything from its classic cities to hidden island beaches. The introduction will help you choose where to go and what to see, inspired by dozens of stunning photos. The Things Not To Miss section runs through all the must-sees, while the Itineraries guide you around the country's highlights. Navigation through the book and on the ground is aided by clear color maps with every chapter. Each map is keyed with all the accommodation, eating and drinking options, nightlife venues and shops that are reviewed in detail in the Listings chapters. With stunning photography to inspire you and clear maps to steer you, The Rough Guide to Spain will ensure you discover the best of Spain, whether it's ticking off Gaudí's stunning architectural masterpieces in Barcelona, hiking in the magnificent Picos de Europa, admiring Granada's splendid Alhambra, or taking part in one of the country's fabulously vibrant fiestas. Insider reviews reveal the best places to eat, sleep and party with something for every budget, whether you want to stay in a majestic parador, sip sherry in Jerez, bar-hop in Madrid or nab a table at one of Catalunya's hottest restaurants. Make the most of your time with The Rough Guide to Spain.

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