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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. this book is a mustBy F. FullerWell being from Vashon Island, off of Seattle, we must say this book is a must! We LOVE Portland, and visit as often as possible....just by chance we found this book.We spent four days running around visiting as many places as possible,(from the book) and had an absolutely incredible time. Finding just about all of them, the only negative aspect of the book, it needs a better map system.....you will still need a good map to find out where you are and where you are going, otherwise no complaints at all. She could put a fold out map in the book and have it made. The restaurants were still delightful and the folks who own these spots were terrific. Another great point is NO advertising! She sussed out these places and wrote about them, period! I can say that over all the many years I've been to Portland, this book in hand made it one of the best ever.....we even bought the book on Seattle, just to find something new and original in our own home town, Portland still beats Seattle by a long shot! But hey, it's all a matter of opinion, right?!2 of 2 people found the following review

helpful. cute series of local destinations. Instead of searching the internet for more up to date recommendations on local eateries and shopping and wondering if the recommendations are accurate, this book is an excellent alternative! Half the books contains one page restaurant reviews, half contains one page shopping reviews; all of the destinations are local favorites. The reviews are cute and funny...usually one paragraph. The different editions of this book have different sets of reviews, so older books will contain different names of restaurants and shops. The preface said they did not repeat places in more up to date editions, but you can look online to get the comprehensive lists of all of the places they have recommended. The book doesn't otherwise give much information about travel in Portland, but it would be an excellent addition to a general guidebook, like Fodor's or Frommers.

Sleekly designed and focusing exclusively on locally owned restaurants and stores, these modern city-guides are unique in both form and content. Each featured business is hand-picked by the author to represent the crme de la crme of cities beloved by both locals and tourists. The overall selection presents a fresh and unexpected look at each city, highlighting an exciting array of neighborhoods. The convenient size is ideal for bags and purses, while the eye-popping layouts of luscious photographs, efficient maps, and brief hotel recommendations will help make planning an excursion almost as fun as eating and shopping.

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