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You can count on Rick Steves to tell you what you *really* need to know when traveling in Prague and the Czech Republic.

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Ann says

Rick Steves always does a great job of explaining places to the reader, good and bad. I love his shows, too. He has great tips for his readers. I love going to Europe and seeing other people walking around with his books.

Althea Ann says

This was the first 'Rick Steve's' guidebook I'd used - and it will probably be the last. It was not completely lacking useful information, but every time I looked something up in it, I found myself aggravated by Mr. Steve's arrogantly stated personal opinions. I think a guidebook should portray the facts, and leave it to the traveler to decide what they find "boring" or "worthwhile."

Sarah Densman says

I never tour Europe without his help. This book wasn't as thorough as Rome or London but still an essential book for anyone traveling through Prague.

Garlan ✋ says

Very informative and readable. Lots of insights into Prague and the surrounding area.

Nikki says

He was kind of wrong about currency exchange fees though, but that might just be that since I live in Brno not Prague, they do things differently. I would strongly suggest exchanging your currency at the exchange booths--if you are Turkish, Arab, Middle Eastern, or Italian-looking they generally do not charge you a fee to change. For me, it was cheaper to exchange currency at the booths. I got both a better exchange rate and I was not charged a fee. However, I first attempted to do what Rick Steves suggests in his book: change my money at the bank. The bank wanted a \$5 fee and their exchange rate was lower than the exchange booth's so I felt like I would have been ripped off. Moral of the story: if you are in Brno, don't exchange your currency at the banks.

And the survival Czech in the back of this edition were soooooo helpful! I strongly suggest paying attention to these. I saw a few Americans with copies of this book in their hands when I was in Prague, but the funny

thing was one particular couple were attempting desperately to ask the bus driver for directions in English. They didn't seem to understand that many Czechs don't speak English, especially older public service workers. I didn't understand why these people are holding a copy of a book with survival Czech phrases in it and not making use of this. So please please please make use of the Czech survival phrases chapter, people! It would make your lives a thousand times easier.

Snooty1 says

Very helpful not to mention informative.
Love learning and getting inspired for future trips!

Beth says

Very helpful for trip planning!

Susan says

Typical Rick Steves guidebook. Helpful hints and explicit instructions for city walks.

Vicki says

I lived in Prague for about 14 months, and this book became like a friend to me. I'd visited there before living there, and I had the book then, too. I notice that one other reviewer finds Steves patronizing. I couldn't disagree more. I find him quirky, nerdy and passionate. I find his writing style engaging, and he knows how to personalize a place, and make it accessible to anybody.

There are lots of great places Steves shines a spotlight on. Not just in Prague (pretty much all of his listings and advice are winners), but then in the smaller towns in the country. Krumlov is a must, and so there it is. If you can go two places in the Czech Rep., Krumlov and Prague should be it. But then there's his listings in Moravia and farther east -- he whittles it down to the gems, if you're short on time.

I guess my ultimate point is that this is a guide to be trusted and relied upon when you're a stranger in a strange land. I've never gone to Europe without a guide of his in my carry-on, and I never will.

Stephanie says

If you plan on going to the CR this book is a must! Steves introduces you to a little tea house by the name of Dobra Cajovna. It's in a back alley and unless you know where to go, you're not going to find it. It has GREAT tea. It really is worth the trip. The staff is pretty good with English and you won't have too much of a language problem. The place was hoppin' when I was there, so be patient if you have to wait for a table. It's

a great place to relax and reflect on what a great trip you're having in a beautiful country!

Janie says

Thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated on our cruise of the Danube in October. Now lent to friends.

Brendan says

Locals will scoff, but this book really pares the complexity of this large international city into approachable, non-scary bites. It touches on every part of town. Includes a good mini-history of the Czech Republic for the historically-challenged tourist who thinks Europe ends at Germany.

Denis says

The biggest issue that I have with Rick Steves as a travel writer is his patronizing tone. I find it very grating to be treated like a dumb American who needs to be taught how to travel by Steves' mysterious sixth-sense for what tourists like. His books have some value because he actually does have pretty good taste, but he's not infallible. The fact that he will simply dismiss the sites that he considers uninteresting is where I find myself getting fed up with his method of telling me what I should like.

Catherine Woodman says

Rivals the Lonely Planet series for my absolute favorite-- he just doesn't have the breadth of information that some have, nor the photos, but his anecdotes make up for it and he clearly loves the city, as do I, so enjoyed taking him along

AndrewVC says

Borrowed from the library to prep for a trip in the Fall.

Lots of great tips and websites to venture and learn more - he also has lots of youtube vlogs and tours to watch.

A good resource to start with.
