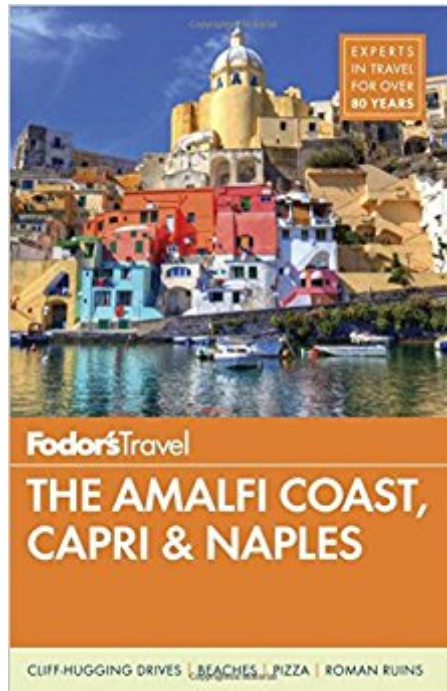




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# Fodor's The Amalfi Coast, Capri & Naples (Full-color Travel Guide)



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- Hundreds of hotel and restaurant recommendations, with Fodor's Choice designating our top picks
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- Major sights such as Pompeii, Positano and the Temples of Paestum
- Coverage of The Amalfi Coast; Capri, Ischia and Procida; Sorrento and the Sorrentine Peninsula; The Bay of Naples and Naples

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This is by far the best book on the Amalfi Coast I have found. Most other guides focus too heavily on Naples. Cannot recommend highly enough.

All the advice I was seeking and then some.

Really good book! Great information here.

Excellent Guidebook, Loads of Information and Tips - 5 Stars This is another excellent guidebook from Fodor's! Having been to the Amalfi area two years in a row after doing extensive research on the internet and pouring through different guidebooks, this particular guide provides a very comprehensive write up of not only the main towns of Sorrento, Positano, Naples and Capri, it also covers the less visited places like Ischia, Furore and Ravello. The book is a great size to slip into a backpack unlike some of the bulkier ones, the quality of the paper is sturdy and easy to flip without ripping, and the maps and photos are strategically placed. The contents of the book are very well organized, starting with section one that covers the region at a summary level - top attractions and experiences, tips and a sample itinerary. This is followed by a section for each main town/region. I really like the way the maps are annotated with key information. It does not skim on color; roads, train tracks, ferry routes and legends are very clear and concise. The last 2 sections are extremely helpful - Understanding the region and Travel Smart. It contains useful words and phrases, very helpful tips on getting around, accommodations, eating and essential pre-trip planning. Page-290 - pizza Naples style, has a picture of the classic Margherita, with descriptions of what makes the perfect Napoli pizza, made by day! It brought back great memories of dining on the best thin crust pizza, with cheese bubbling and slightly charred edges, topped with locally grown San Marzano tomatoes, buffalo mozzarella and sweet basil.

Planning a trip to the Amalfi Coast which is also part of my ancestry, so I want to use the time I have

wisely and within budget. This Fodor's Guide is an excellent resource. Some references I've used in the past get too creative and flowery in their descriptions, but I found this one to be concise and descriptive but streamlined as well. It's organized in a way that allows you to make deliberate plans as well as focusing on your areas of interest, whether they are the history, art, walking agendas etc. There are subtle tips to prepare you for the local customs and norms regarding things like tipping, how to order a coffee and what to expect when you do, accommodation norms, best times of year for travel, leaning toward hiring a driver as opposed to renting a car yourself due to the aggressive nature of drivers there as well as 24 hour parking costing up to 35 euros! Well illustrated with helpful maps. The guide is not so exhaustive as to want to leave it in your hotel and not carry it with you as well as made of durable paper stock. Some references are understandable only mentioned and referred to with the intention of you perhaps doing more comprehensive research at home to fish out the facts prior to the trip. Well worth the minor investment in getting the most enjoyment out of your vacation.

Fodor's is always one of my favorite travel guides, and since we are (tentatively) planning a trip to Italy for this fall, I want to give this latest edition of The Amalfi Coast a look. It's a handy size for taking along, the paper is lightweight, and there's good contrast on the pages, so you can read it even in the bright sun. We've been to the Amalfi Coast twice, and the guide seems very comprehensive, with good sections on Pompeii, Sorrento, Capri, and Herculaneum, as well as plenty of information about Naples. The practical advice seems wise (travel in the spring and fall for smaller crowds and milder weather) and the museum and shopping advice is concise and helpful. Plenty of maps (but no pull out maps in this volume) and the Pompeii section seems especially detailed and helpful.

I have relatives who used this Fodor's Travel Guide to The Amalfi Coast, Capri and Naples who said it was better than the 3 other guides they also bought. They told me it covered Naples and Amalfi so well with the maps, hotels and restaurants, that they rarely got lost- which is very rare for them. They loved that it's small enough to always have on hand, includes prices that were very accurate and up to date for food and places, maps that were easy to follow, hotels for every budget, and mainly they loved it for the must see places and attractions- since they never want to miss anything traveling that far. As for the food- every restaurant listed in Fodor's was wonderful- after a while, they caught on that the longest lines were where the best meals are. The only thing missing in Fodor's are the very little towns that are not on the map- but my relatives lucked out speaking to locals to visit one of

these little off the map places, which although pricey- they really enjoyed. In the end, they said, the Fodor's Guide was the best for busy Naples and the Amalfi Coast- as they got to see the beauty of it all and missed nothing.

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