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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Easy, fun, and informative read by an international man of mystery...By Michael McCaffertyThis is an excellent book if you're headed to Italy for a vacation and are looking for ideas on where to go and what to see. Or, if you've already been to Italy, read this little book to learn what you probably missed! In only 105 pages, the author packs in 25+ cities and towns throughout Italy, plus a few in France and Switzerland for good measure. It's such an easy read, you could start and finish it while on the plane from Paris to Rome.I really enjoyed the book, and there is only one reason I didn't give it a 5-star rating: as I was reading all about Italy, I became more and more curious about the author, but was disappointed to learn almost nothing about him or why he was in Italy for a year. There was very little, if any, information that would help the reader identify with the author (and his wife, who was traveling with him), not even the smallest customary blurb "About the Author" anywhere in the book.Who is this international man of mystery?1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. just the treat to accompany your cappuccinoBy J. FitzGeraldGuide books weigh the sight-seer down. Not only materially--the weight of the tome, peering at the small print in gloomy interiors--but in their unspoken imperatives: here is a big

fat to-do list for the dedicated traveler. Gregory Harris's travelogue, on the contrary, is realistic: sight-seeing is circumscribed by parking, opening hours, ticket prices, stamina, threats to the availability of nourishment and an aversion to museums. Traveling light, Greg and his wife Lili pop in and out of Italian towns, relishing the cafés, the piazzas, the churches and palaces, antiquities and traditions. They make a dash for the Sistine Chapel and are foiled by the one-way circuit. They get a kick out of San Clemente's layers: twelfth-century church on top of fourth-century church, on top of first-century Mithraic temple. They come up close and personal to ineradicable cultural differences-- what Italian will be persuaded to open a shop during the siesta just to monopolize ready customers? What does making money matter if it costs you your lifestyle? The narrative tone of this book is well calibrated, lighthearted but true to experience, beckoning the reader to share the joys and pitfalls of la dolce vita, sight-seer style. Just the treat to accompany your cappuccino.

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By Peter S. Jordan

Mr. Harris took me to a great number of places I visited in earlier happier days. It was a delight to read and savor.