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Fodor's Around Boston With Kids, 3rd Edition: 68 Great Things To Do Together In The City And Beyond (Travel Guide)



Synopsis

Key Features: Up to 68 terrific ideas for family days from pirate adventures to puppet shows. Themed directories let you plan your days with your kid's special interests in mind. Insider tips help parents make the best use of their time while saving money and stress. Boston-specific flip art, way-cool trivia with each activity, and a chapter of games keep kids entertained en route and on line. Kid-friendly snack spots and restaurant suggestions included with each activity. All attractions include addresses, phone numbers, Web sites, admission prices, and age appropriateness ratings.

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Customer Reviews

"Whimsical...The authors understand that kids' interests vary widely. And such headings as Freebies and Tire Them Out make clear the writers also understand a thing or two about parents."--New York Times

I think the potential buyer of this book would do better buying Frommer's Guide, as I used that rather than this guide on a recent family trip to Boston. This book was just too limiting. When I originally purchased this, I thought it might have been more "kid-friendly," but none of my three children were interested at looking through it. It is really meant more for adults to see what's available in Boston and families. Another disappointment was that there were no maps nor any rhyme or reason as to how they listed the 68 "great things to do together." They were not put into any sort of geographical organization, which hurts the book as well. Yes, the descriptions given in

the book were fine, but once more, I think a more complete guide (such as Frommers) would be the more worthwhile investment.

Not very helpful. Much information out of date, unusual organization (front page was at the end of the book), food selections mostly fast food and chains.

This book offers up an alphabetical list of different museums, events, parks, shows, and more to do with kids of all ages. Each item has its own two-page spread in this pocket-sized book, with all of the information plus a nice description. Most entries also have information about the surrounding area, including other attractions and local kid-friendly restaurants. The reason I knocked this review down to 4 stars was because almost every restaurant mentioned is a huge national chain. I didn't really need to be told that the Uno's next door has a kids menu... what about good local restaurants? Boston is full of small cafes, pizzarias, and local bistros... why is it assumed that the only place a child will eat is at Applebee's?

This book is excellent for parents looking for activities to do around Boston. Instead of sending my kids to camp over the summer, every day we take trips to different places suggested in the book. The kids love it! My friends are always amazed that there are so many cool outings that they don't know about. Even the grandparents I know call me for suggestions when their kids come to town. A must have for any parent who lives in the Boston area.

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