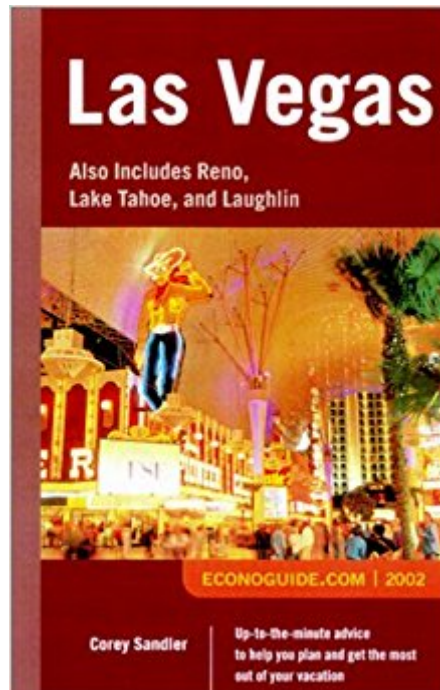




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Newly updated for 2002, including \$1,000 in money-saving coupons! Updated and expanded, Econoguide® 2002 Las Vegas shows how you how to get the most for your money--no matter what your budget--and your time while visiting Las Vegas, Reno, Lake Tahoe, and Laughlin. Packed with insider information, Econoguide® 2002 includes: The secret to getting the best airline tickets for the lowest possible fare Tips on where to stay and how to get the lowest room rate A comprehensive listing of where to find great meals, from gourmet dinners to bargain buffets to quick bites, any time of day A complete guide to Nevada's latest and splashiest casinos and hotels, including Mandalay Bay, The Venetian, and Paris-Las Vegas A detailed rundown of entertainment, from show-shopping extravaganzas to comedy, music, and magic A refreshing guide to the world outside the casinos, from ski resorts to theme parks With essential information and hundreds of dollars in money-saving discounts on everything from show admissions to car rentals, restaurants to

hotels, and water parks to museums, Econoguide® 2002 is the Nevada-bound traveler's sure bet.

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The descriptions of various Vegas locations in this book are detailed and accurate, and easy to read. The book includes tips on getting the best airfare, hotel, and ticket rates, as well as attention-grabbing descriptions of what you can find and where. Ratings from one to six stars are included for every hotel, casino, and restaurant, as well as periodic "blurb boxes" of worthy and humorous side notes about Las Vegas. This book makes an excellent start for the first time Sin City visitor, or for those who have been before but might have missed something and want to know where to find it. The maps are also easy to follow and quite helpful. So why do I give this book only 4 out of 5 stars? Because there are pieces of it that mislead the buyer. The book is NOT "filled with hundreds of dollars of money-saving coupons" as the photo says. There are a FEW coupons in the back of the book, but they make absolutely no sense for this guide. For instance, there are coupons for Universal Studios and for Knotts Berry Farm, both of which are located in Los Angeles. Now why the heck anyone would put L.A. coupons in a Las Vegas/Reno/Tahoe guide, I have yet to figure out. The single ACTUAL Las Vegas coupon in this book is for a Mini Grand Prix fun center that is located nowhere near either the Strip or the Downtown area...most visitors will not even see the place, and I've not seen this Grand Prix advertised anywhere else but this book. And there are NO Reno, Laughlin, or Tahoe coupons in the book. And even if you DID manage to use the all of six or seven coupons included in the book, you wouldn't even save \$200. What else misleads the reader? Well, be careful...there is a great (and perhaps valid) point the author makes about always asking hotels for their BEST rate. He then tells how he called a hotel and got a quote of \$149 for the room. After an initial "Ouch" response, the agent lowered the price to \$109 due to a promotion. He then asked for the BEST rate...\$79. But then he's a member of AAA...ok now he only has to pay \$72. Great story...the catch? It didn't happen at a Vegas hotel...the hotel in question was in Chicago. Now, I'd think that if you're going to buy a Vegas guide, you want VEGAS stories, not Chicago ones. But so much of the book is about Vegas, that you tend to ignore little details like that if you don't read the stories carefully. And that is not the only story in the book where you will find little fallacies

like that. So be SURE when you read the tips and tricks, that you take them with a grain of salt. But if you're already IN vegas or know where you will stay and just want to choose activities or eateries, you probably won't find any guide much better.

THIS BOOK IS AN EXCELLENT TRAVEL COMPANION. WE USED THE MAPS INSIDE FOR DRIVING DIRECTIONS. THEY ARE ALL VERY EASY TO READ AND FOLLOW. IT ALSO HAS A GOOD LISTING OF SIGHTS TO SEE AND THINGS TO DO. I REALLY LIKE IT BECAUSE IT IS NOT BORING TO JUST SIT AND READ. IT GIVES YOU BRIEF HISTORY ON AREAS AND UPDATES ANY CHANGES THAT HAVE OCCURED IN THE LAST YEAR. I LOOK FORWARD TO MY NEXT VACATION AND JUST HOPE THAT WHEREVER I PLAN TO GO THERE IS AND ECONOGUIDE FOR IT.

Helpful guide to Las Vegas. I used while I was there several weeks ago. I especially like the way the chapters are designed: The Best of the Strip, The Rest of the Strip and Downtown Las Vegas. I used it to choose what sights we wanted to see. I also liked the chapter on Eating your way across Las Vegas. It gives an honest and thorough critique!

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