

Explore the Heart of Tuscany and Umbria: An Enriching Journey with Rick Steves Travel Guide to Siena, Assisi, and Beyond

Siena: A Medieval Masterpiece Atop Rolling Hills



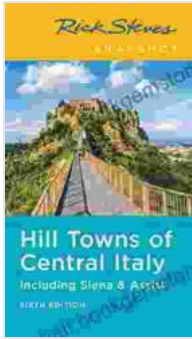
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Nestled amidst the rolling hills of Tuscany, Siena transports you back to the Middle Ages. Step into Piazza del Campo, the city's heart, and marvel at the stunning Palazzo Pubblico, adorned with intricate frescoes. Ascend the Torre del Mangia for breathtaking views of the terracotta-tiled roofs and the surrounding countryside.

Explore the Duomo di Siena, a Gothic masterpiece housing awe-inspiring works of art, including sculptures by Donatello and paintings by Duccio. Wander through the narrow streets, discovering hidden courtyards and charming boutiques. And don't miss the Palio di Siena, a thrilling horse race that brings the city to life twice a year.

Assisi: A Pilgrimage to the Saint's Birthplace



The Basilica of San Francesco, a pilgrimage destination and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Set against the slopes of Mount Subasio, Assisi is a spiritual haven that attracts pilgrims worldwide. Visit the Basilica of San Francesco, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where you can admire the exquisite frescoes depicting the life of St. Francis, the city's patron saint.

Explore the Basilica of Santa Chiara, home to the tomb of St. Clare. Walk the streets where St. Francis once lived, discovering churches,

monasteries, and charming squares that evoke the city's rich religious history.

Beyond Siena and Assisi: Uncovering Hidden Gems



Venture beyond Siena and Assisi to discover the hidden gems of Tuscany and Umbria. Visit the enchanting hilltop town of Montepulciano, renowned for its Renaissance architecture and prized *Vino Nobile* wines.

Explore the picturesque Val d'Orcia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site known for its rolling hills, cypress trees, and charming villages. Discover the medieval wonders of Cortona, with its Etruscan walls and panoramic views. And don't miss the thermal baths of Saturnia, where you can relax in natural hot springs amidst a beautiful setting.

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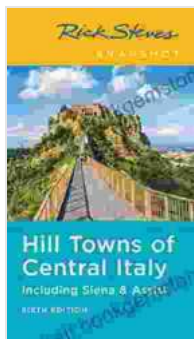
Rick Steves Travel Guide to Tuscany and Umbria, providing expert advice and insider tips.

Enhance your journey with Rick Steves Travel Guide to Tuscany and Umbria. This comprehensive guidebook provides insider tips, practical advice, and historical insights to help you make the most of your adventure.

Rick Steves, a renowned travel expert, shares his firsthand experiences and recommendations, guiding you to the best sights, restaurants, and accommodations. With detailed maps, walking tours, and cultural insights, this travel guide will empower you to immerse yourself in the heart of Tuscany and Umbria.

Plan Your Unforgettable Journey

embark on an unforgettable journey through Tuscany and Umbria, guided by Rick Steves. Discover the captivating cities of Siena and Assisi, and venture beyond to uncover hidden gems that will enrich your experience. Immerse yourself in the history, art, culture, and flavors of this enchanting region, creating memories that will last a lifetime.



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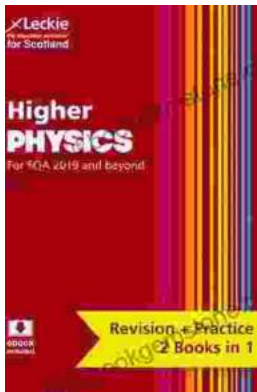
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