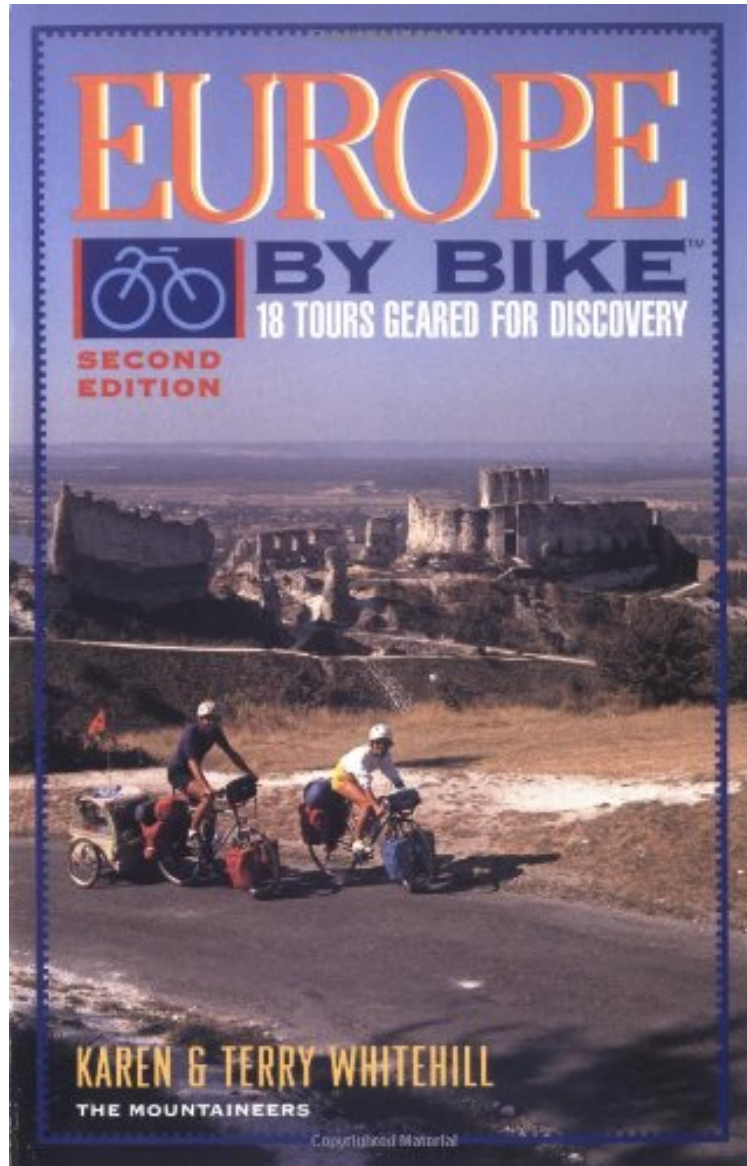


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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Great book to get startedBy CustomerI just got this book in the mail today. I confess I have only skimmed it, but it has exactly the information I was looking for. This book was first published in the late 1980s and a second edition was published in 1992 or 93. It is now out of print and only available used. I paid 40 cents plus \$3.99 shipping to Goodwill Books. It took a week or so to arrive, but the book is in nearly

new condition. The layout of the book reminds me of the older Rick Steves books. That's a good thing. It is very readable. Each route gets its own chapter, and the start of each route has a description of that trip. For example, the Vienna to Budapest ride is 240 miles with seven days suggested. It is described as "A Riverside Glide." It would have been helpful if the difficulty were noted in the table of contents, but it's not that hard to flip through the chapters. I went on a bike trip as a teen in the 1970s and have been thinking it would be fun to take the kids on a week-long trip. It will probably never happen, but it's fun to read about. And maybe.... This book is good to allow you to pick two or three routes that interest you. The Internet didn't exist when this book was written (it suggests writing for information!), so now you can decide where you want to go with this book and then flesh out the details using the Internet. Given that the book is almost 25 years old, that's important. The trip I went on as a teen started in Luxembourg and then went to Trier, up the Mosel to the Rhine, and then down the Rhine to Cologne and into Holland. We then returned by a more arduous route through Belgium. Portions of that trip are included in two different tours featured in this book, one easy, the other harder. I was surprised a true Rhine trip wasn't included, as I understand it is popular to start in Switzerland and go all the way to Holland. Obviously this is something I can learn about on my own, but it would be nice to have it included (a small portion of the Rhine is included in the Trier to Bingen trip). Given the low price as a used book I highly recommend this book, whether you have a trip planned or are just dreaming of one. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. GREAT HELP for anyone planning a bike tour! By David Khachadorian I used this book (this exact edition) to do my first solo bike trip across Europe and it is a GREAT HELP for anyone planning a bike tour! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Not so good By Bjorn Larsson Book feels boring and outdated. Bad printing quality as well. Only bw and poor design. The text might be good though, haven't read it yet. This is just my first impression, which was a disappointment. Since I am a graphic designer myself this is important for me.

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