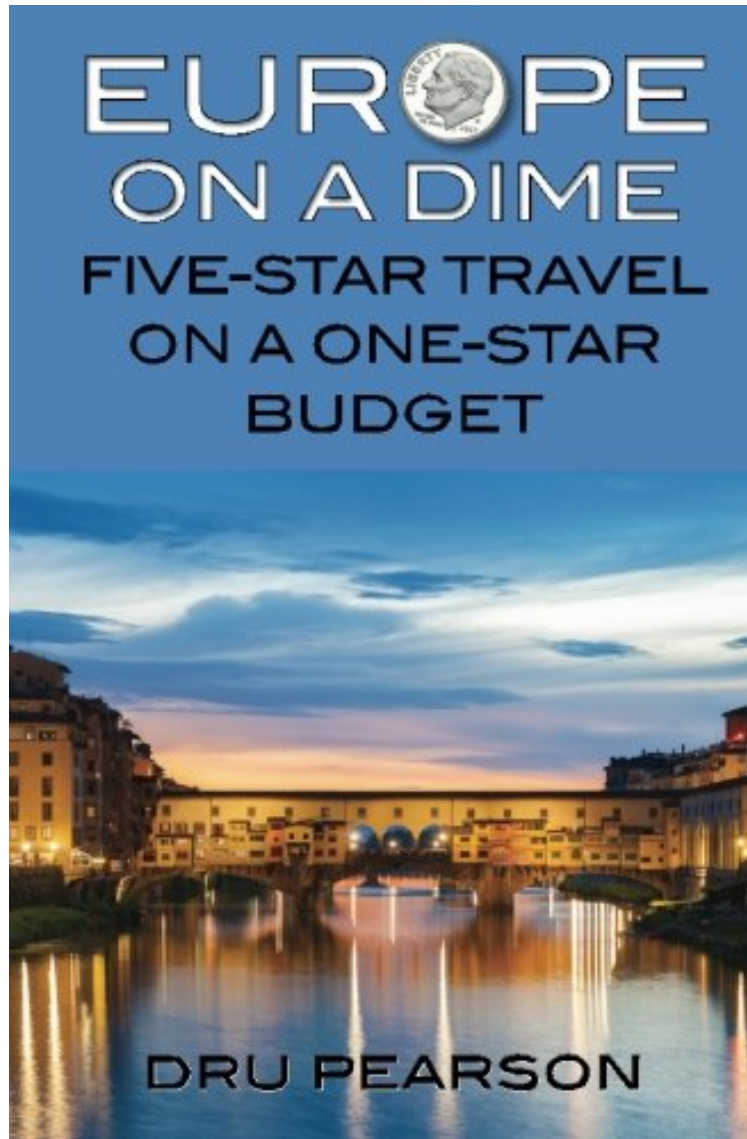


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UPDATED in 2017! Fly for free and sleep for cheap. Spend less than you thought possible for five-star travel on a one-star budget. Pearson shows you how. Travel guru Arthur Frommer calls Dru Pearson's writing "delightful," and he believes her blog essays, "...provide a strong confirmation of the advice I offered in a recent post...." Arthur Frommer and Dru Pearson seem to think alike. Both know that apartment rentals are vacation money-savers for everyone. Dru also thinks that Baby Boomers, especially, crave five-star luxury on a one-star budget. The hostels they frequented in their 20s won't do anymore. They want en suite bathrooms, not a shower room down the hall, and a suitcase on wheels, not a pack on their backs. Yet, in these difficult economic times, there is not a single book that tells this largest demographic in American history exactly how to travel Europe in a systematic way designed to maximize enjoyment while minimizing cost. Until now. Dru Pearson's book for the over-45 crowd--although travelers of any age can save money using her advice--teaches a step-by-step approach to comfortable, independent travel for under \$98 a day. Unlike other guidebooks about Europe, there are no itinerary, accommodation, or restaurant suggestions. What Dru supplies, instead, is far more valuable. She shows you exactly how to plan a trip using public transportation, rental apartments, and food markets. Using her approach, a couple can travel independently in any country for under, and sometimes well under depending on the country, \$98 a day per person. If you thought the only alternative to backpacking Europe was an expensive organized tour, think again. In *Europe on a Dime* you will find out how to how to fly to Europe for free, rent your own spacious apartment for less than the price of a private hostel room, pay half-price for train tickets, and buy the most delectable meals for a fraction of a restaurant's price. So, don't worry if your backpack is getting moldy in the attic. You won't need it any more. You won't have to settle for an expensive organized tour that charges \$200-800 a day either. All you will need is this book which will teach you everything you need to know so you can travel frugally and comfortably anywhere in Europe.

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About the Author
Dru Pearson was born with more wanderlust than money. At the age of six she first saw a world globe and knew she wanted to explore every country on it. Unfortunately, most of her traveling for the next forty years was done vicariously through books and websites. Packing was a snap, but her feet itched to get on a plane. Travel on a single mother's budget was problematic, but she learned to be frugal both at home and on the road. The more trips she took, the more she wanted to take. The wanderlust was incurable. When she retired from teaching English, she moved from Chapel Hill, North Carolina, to Ajijic, Mexico, for four years. She explored that country in her Westfalia camping van, wrote several articles that were published in local expat magazines, edited a newsletter for expats, and wrote a book about retiring in Mexico. These days Pearson lives in Arizona, but she explores Europe as often as she can. She shares the tips she's accumulated over the years to help other travelers rent inexpensive accommodations that rival hotel suites and dine on gourmet food at McDonald's prices in her newly revised and updated book, *Europe on a Dime: Five-Star Travel on a One-Star Budget*.