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BEST Pocket Parks Of NYC



Synopsis

BEST Pocket Parks of NYC is for the adventurous traveler as well as the local intrigued by the 'little green spaces in the middle of the city.' There are over 520 privately owned public space (POPS) in New York City, but many are simply widened sidewalks or empty plazas. BEST Pocket Parks of NYC takes the best of these spaces, those with seating and ambience, and compiles them into a guide with interesting bits of information scrounged from databases, articles and all manner of public documents. "The information is in various places and can be difficult to find," according to the author. "I have visited every park, researched from a variety of sources, and come up with a guide to those pocket parks and public spaces that lend themselves to stopping and relaxing for a while before you go on with your day." BEST Pocket Parks of NYC is the first of several guides planned that will give the reader interesting information and history along with the location of pocket parks and public spaces in several U.S. cities as well as locations in Europe.

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friends who are moving to New York. This would be a wonderful gift to anyone, particularly someone new to this vibrant city!" - JK "This unique book will be a must have guide for the first time visitor and for the native New Yorker to navigate their way through the small pocket parks in the area." - A reader "If you want to learn which park has a green market or which has a drinking fountain with this inscription: "On this site in 1897, nothing happened," then you need to get this guide." - A reader "If you're looking for some greenery in NYC, this book has you covered. It shows you the best pocket parks in the center of the concrete jungle where you can chill out, sit back and relax." - A reader

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Good resource for the New York City afflicted. Vest pocket parks are islands of sanity in an increasingly congested city. I like be Paley Park and wanted to find more so I could chill in different locations. This small, easy to carry book, covers them all well. One minor gripe... the reproduction quality of the photos is poor. Love the City? Add this book to your library.

Finally a guide that will take anyone into green spaces in New York City for anyone needing to seat and relax, or chat while still enjoying the view in the heart of the city! Although I've been around most amazing areas in NYC, I've never had the chance to notice the small hidden green spots because of the fast city life! It's an excellent book to explore and adventure when visiting the sites. I can't wait until the Summer and begin to explore green spots while enjoying some ice cream and the weather! Thank you Rosemary O'Brien for sharing such an incredible guide!!

Eloquent, elegant. When you read this book, you are not just sitting on a park bench, feeding pigeons. You are steeped in New York history, art, such a sense of place and time. Get it, pack and lunch, and visit these parks!

I was just in NYC a few weeks ago with my children and this book was very useful! A must read for those looking to really explore the "BIG Apple".

As a NYC tour guide, I was looking forward to getting this book. Was so disappointed to discover how amateurish this guide is. A high school student could have done a better job! There's no

organization, and it's hard to see where the parks are. There's no standard format for quickly viewing where they are. Unbelievably, there's no map, no organizing the parks by area, or by type (indoor vs. outdoor, etc.) The descriptions are very brief. The photos are all black and white and distorted. Honestly, this book looks like it was compiled in word by using Google and spending a weekend doing it. A real guide would have public transportation directions, nearest restrooms, hours, etc.

In principle an interesting guide to an intriguing subject, but why is it executed so sloppily? most of the photos are for some unknown reason compressed from horizontal into vertical, so they become totally distorted. they are printed without any contrast. not very inviting to go and visit these places, which was the intention on the book!

"Best Pocket Parks of NYC" By Rosemary O'Brien Most New Yorkers walk fast and always seem to be in a rush. They want to get across the street first to get to a meeting, hail that cab or be the first to find that empty seat on the subway. But sometimes, in their hurry, they might miss the beauty that surrounds them in such a big, unique and beautiful city. In her new book, O'Brien helps to take us away from the hustle and bustle of the city to highlight the best pocket parks, hidden and beautiful spaces that you might not have heard much about. And O'Brien has done all the work. From the first pocket park, Revered Linnette C. Williamson Memorial Park to Continental Towers, O'Brien highlights who created the parks, writes about the special features, sculptures, waterfalls and fountains. She also describes the seating, the food options around the area and smartly advises which parks have public rest rooms available. And in an age when prices are continually rising, it's nice to be able to find great places that you can visit for little or no money at all. And, it's pretty much impossible to get lost. Each park has a full photo above it with the best places to enter and with nearby subway lines. If you want to learn which park has a green market or which has a drinking fountain with this inscription: "On this site in 1897, nothing happened," then you need to get this guide. Whether you are a native New Yorker or not, this book is sure to have a 'little sanctuary' that will interest you.

New York City, specifically, Manhattan has approximately 1.6 million people, one of the most densely populated cities in the United States and a very intimidating place to visit. But author Rosemary O'Brien has given the tourist and native New Yorker a guide to find respite in the overwhelming busyness of the City through her book Pocket Parks of NYC. Rosemary has created

the ultimate guidebook to the many small quiet parks around NYC that have been created to offer an oasis for the people to enjoy. This unique book will be a must have guide for the first time visitor and for the native New Yorker to navigate their way through the small pocket parks in the area. Every detail is given in the description of each park; entry points, street addresses, pictures, seating (including where to sit in the hot summer sun!), restroom availability (a must have for visitors), and a narrative of the art, if applicable, for each of the parks. I cannot wait to plan my next visit to NYC so I can explore the City in a whole new light by finding these gems that have been described in the book!

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