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# Rick Steves European Easter



## **Synopsis**

Rick Steves, America's expert on Europe, explores the rich traditions, celebrations, and history behind some of Europe's most colorful and charming Easter celebrations. Discover Carnevale in Venice, Lent in Cantiano, Holy Week in Sevilla, Easter Sunday in Greece, and beyond. Rick examines "Easter Through the Ages," including the Biblical story of Easter and the pagan and secular traditions that have shaped the Easter celebrations of today. He compares the beliefs of Eastern and Western Orthodox traditions, and shows how holidays are uniquely celebrated across cities and countries. In Rome, the Vatican blesses palm fronds on Palm Sunday, while in Tuscany, olive branches are blessed instead. Churches in Sevilla display elaborate floats for Easter Sunday, while villages across Italy, Slovenia, and Greece celebrate with feasts. Touching on Italy, Slovenia, Switzerland, Spain, Greece, and the Vatican, and filled with fascinating insights and vibrant full-color photos, Rick Steves European Easter is a delightful way to understand Easter heritage from a multicultural perspective.

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This small sized book is a companion to the 2016 public television broadcast of the same name; it follows the segment exactly, but also stands alone as a rich source of European history, culture and tradition. The many photographs explain and enhance the text. I can verify from my own experiences that what is presented is factual. This book would make a lovely gift for anyone who enjoys European traditions, especially during Spring time.

Rick Steves quality. Wonderful

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