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Portland Is Weird: The Official Unofficial Guide To The City's Uniqueness



Synopsis

"The Official Unofficial Guide to the City's Uniqueness" 2013 EDITION Have you ever ridden your bike totally nude through the city streets with a thousand other naked people? Or ate dinner at a restaurant in complete darkness? Or went to a bookstore that handed out maps so you wouldn't get lost in the building? If you answered no to these questions then you have not truly experienced the uniqueness that is Portland, Oregon. Open-Ended Destinations is proud to bring you an alternative look at Portland, the big city with the small town atmosphere that takes pride in being, well, weird. The team we assembled highlights the top twenty-five unique/weird/odd places in the Portland area and then lists an additional forty-six places, events, and things that didn't quite make the cut but were indeed all worthy of being a part of Portland's Finest Cornucopia of Weirdness. "Keep Portland Weird" is an official motto of this great Pacific Northwestern city, but it is not just a slogan to promote absurdity throughout the streets. Instead, its intended purpose is to encourage keeping things local by going to locally owned businesses to help keep them thriving, thus maintaining the uniqueness of Portland. Listed in this book are a variety of local establishments to visit to help uphold this motto.

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Most of the information in the book seems like it could have just been grabbed from the internet. One of the authors is supposed to be a local, if so he didn't dig very hard into the back-story on any of the entries. Even his mention of the naked bike ride is not entirely accurate. He said it is sponsored by the Portland Art Museum, well it was one year. Maybe that was the one year he lived here. I just don't get a real local vibe from this book as I had hoped. For someone who has a deeper

interest in what makes a city tick, I was a bit disappointed.

This book was identified interesting and weird things in Portland. Most of them are included in the more comprehensive city guides. It was a good second or third tourist guide, but wouldn't stand on its own as a guide to the city.

Fun book, lots of cool places to check out and recommendations I didn't know about (and I've been there several times). 4 stars because it's a little boring in places. Still recommended.

A bit sparse on info but a useful introduction to Portland if you don't know anything about the city.

Perfect for my family that is just moving to Portland. Smaller than I expected, but well-done.

Visit very unique places around Portland.

This is a fun read. Book is a quick read with lots of fun things to appreciate the uniqueness of in Portland and surrounding area. It gives dates and addresses with warnings of heavily participation and what to expect in traffic at a particular event. I am going to put some of these events on my new Portland events for 2014 if they aren't on there already.

Was a gift.

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