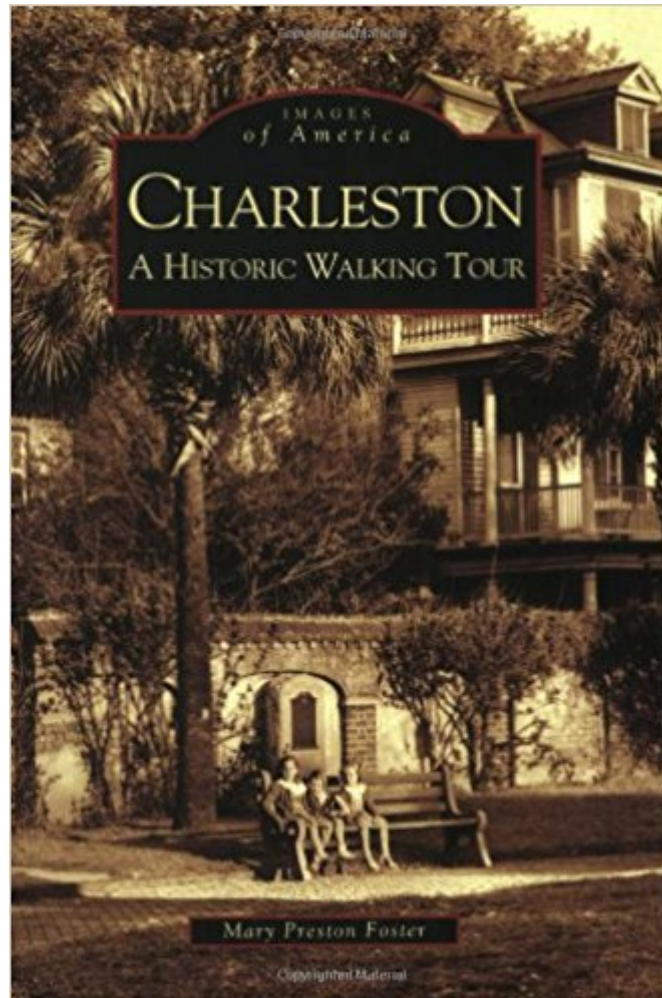




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Charleston: A Historic Walking Tour will help natives and visitors alike appreciate the history and residents of this beautiful city. With its architecture, palm trees, and cobblestone streets, Charleston is one of the South's great cultural destinations. Its ballrooms and benevolent society halls attest to grand periods of opulence and high living. The theater, libraries, museum, and college show an appreciation for culture and sophistication. But don't let the city's beauty hide its turbulent history. The horrors of bombardment and occupation by conquering armies have left their marks. The city has experienced bleak times and disasters, including fires, a devastating earthquake, and hurricanes, not to mention the challenges of Reconstruction. Yet Charleston has survived its darker days, and now may be the city's finest hour. Neighborhoods from Calhoun Street to the Battery are in better condition today than they have ever been before. This book offers three tours to explore the historic downtown: the Meeting Street loop, the Legare Street loop, and the Ansonborough tour. Enjoy the walk, and let the city tell you its story.

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Customer Reviews

Author Mary Preston Foster moved to Charleston in the 1960s, when single schoolteachers often rented rooms and carriage houses on Church Street and South Battery. As a librarian and licensed Charleston tour guide, Mrs. Foster shares her experience and passion for this city's wonderful past.

I live here in Charleston and this guidebook is great, especially if you want to see the history. It also is useful in pointing out photo worthy highlights. But don't think this book is exhaustive. There is a lot more to see in Charleston than this book portrays. The benefit here is that it packages things in terms of efficiency (no need to double back to see what you missed) and gets many of the historical highlights. If you're coming to Charleston, or Charleston is a favorite place of yours, this book will help you plan and/or reminisce.

What a terrific book with so many wonderful photos and information on Charleston, SC. I, as well as my family have always lived in Charleston...."best destination city in the US for 13 years". I'm so proud of our city and this book brings back so many wonderful memories and provides people that are new to Charleston a lot of history for our beautiful city.

We recently visited Charleston and planned our own walking tour using this book. Very informative with great pictures! Great book!

can't wait to use this on our trip to Charleston. packed with information.

The book was a great depiction of architecture in Charleston. I have since visited the city for the first time. I found more historical information in other guides as this one focuses on the architecture.

It would have been better if there were maps for each tour and write up for each tour rather than just descriptions beneath the photos.

We took it with us to Charleston and used it during two days of walking South of Broad St. It was fun to compare then and now and recognize historical names.

I will be using this on our trip next year to Charleston. It was informative and will be very helpful.

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