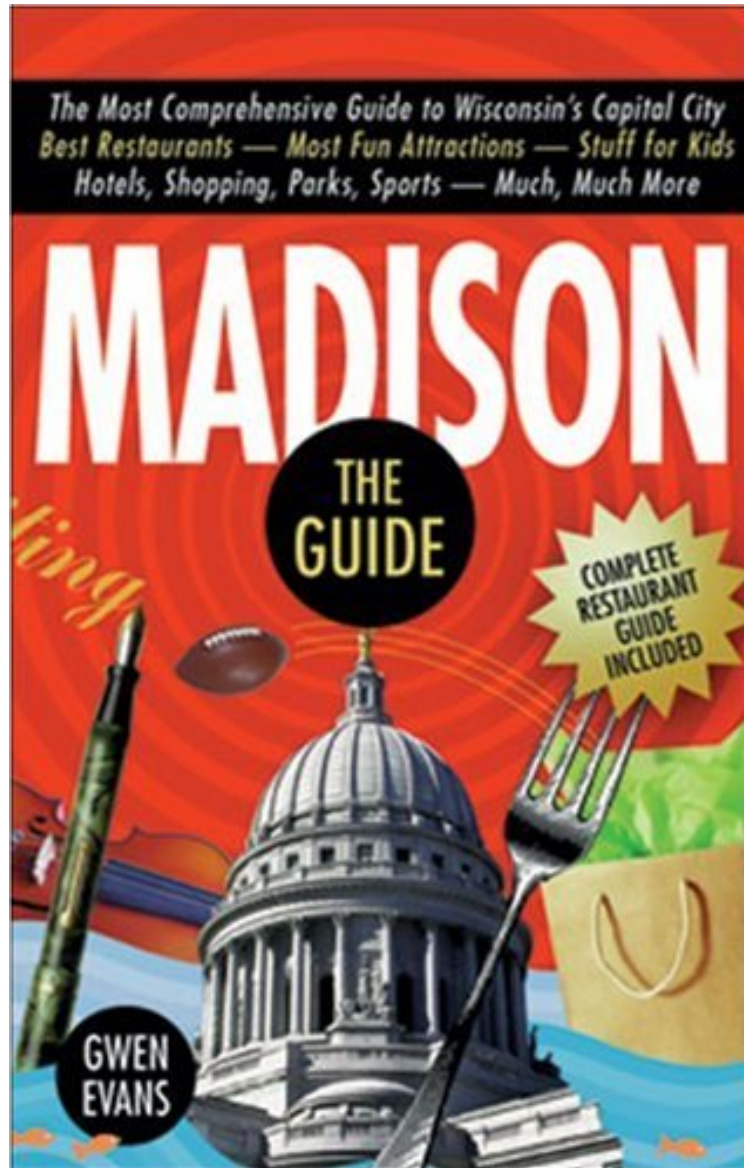


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Gwen Evans : Madison: The Guide before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Madison: The Guide:

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. This is the guide you need!By EricAs a recent transplant to Madison, I find this guide very helpful. All facets of the city are explored, with advice on where to eat, what to do, and how much it will cost. So far I have found all the information to be current.5 of 6 people found the following review

helpful. Just OKBy sarazonaThe five-star reviews that have been posted so far are highly exaggerated--this book is simply not that great! I am moving to Madison and will buy another book. It's not that this book is so bad, either--it provides some nice tidbits about restaurants and things to do. But there are some major shortcomings that must be pointed out. First problem (and this is a big one): the map in this book is absolutely awful. There is only ONE map in the entire book and the print on it is so small that it is illegible. This makes many of the references to neighborhoods, parks, restaurants (places in general) kind of useless. There is no way to see where these places are, relative to each other! Call me crazy, but I thought that being able to find your way around was kind of the point of buying a guidebook. Second (related) problem: for someone relocating to an area, which is another major reason to buy a guidebook, it would have been useful to read a summary of the different neighborhoods. No such introduction or chapter exists in this book. Instead, the chapters are organized as lists of things to do, with references to different neighborhoods throughout the text. From everything I've heard about Madison, it's neighborhoods are distinctive with their own charm--I would like to have been able to learn more about how they differ from each other. This book is "a" guide, but certainly not "the" guide, as it claims. I wish I could get my money back and invest in some maps instead. 2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Madison Cleans Up Real NiceBy Tim SizeZane Williams has beautifully captured an idealized view of an America place with more than its fair share of fans. Madison, like any city, has many faces; this is the one we enjoy seeing. Those who have never visited will find it hard to believe a small midwestern city could have so much worth taking pictures of; those who live here, or used to, will recognize much of it and want a copy to keep with their favorite family photos.

The one-and-only complete guide to Madison, Wisconsin.

"Just when you think you know everything about Madison, along comes Gwen Evans. The Madison native has produced a nifty guide to the city that will be an excellent resource for longtime residents as well as clueless visitors."
The Capital Times