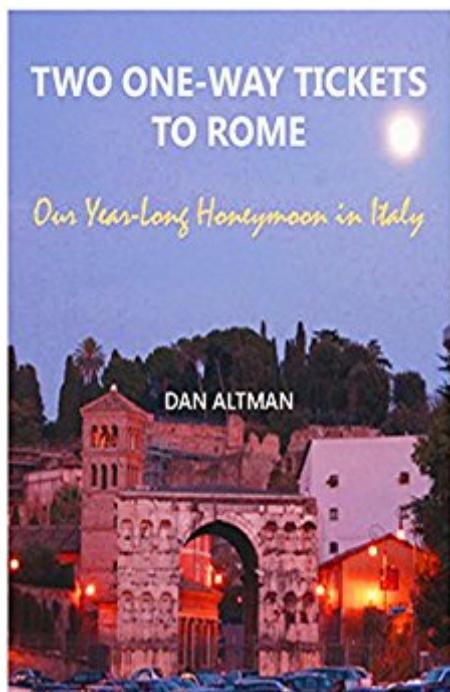


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# Two One-Way Tickets To Rome: Our Year-Long Honeymoon In Italy



## **Synopsis**

This book is the true story of Dan and Cristina's "honeymoon" in Italy. Moving only days after their wedding, it turned into a year long adventure in which they would soak up the Italian culture. To anyone anticipating or even dreaming of such an adventure this book can shine a light on the entire picture. In addition to the romantic aspect of such a move, there are plenty of less than romantic experiences to undergo. Alongside all the exotic scenery and charm there is the Italian bureaucracy to deal with. Part travelogue and part reality check, this book tries to give the realistic picture of the modern day Italian culture. Join us in our once-in-a-lifetime journey and savor the richness that is Italy.

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## **Customer Reviews**

The book sometimes rambles on a bit, but it is, after all, a diary of his day to day life in Rome. Besides the occasional excursion into micro-explanations, it is a informative, funny, and a light-hearted read. You get to know the city and you get to feel what it's like to move to another country and set up your home. It's written in easy-to-read conversational style and it's the perfect

book to read a little and then go back to it later. I enjoyed hearing about the daily foibles and successes in a foreign land and find myself hoping Dan moves to another country so he can write about another foreign city and I can learn more about a new place around the globe!

One of the best travelogues anyone can read which honestly depicts the experience of living in Italy. Both my husband and I enjoyed all the humorous anecdotes Mr. Altman includes in his book along with his frankness regarding frustrations which they faced as part of their year long journey.

I enjoyed this travelogue very much..It is fun to read how he navigated the bureaucracy of Italy, the lack of service etc..But, in spite of it all, it is a wonderful experience to be in Rome.....We spend a lot of time in Italy and could relate to so many stories...The grocery carts, weighing your produce and everything he said is so true...And, it is enjoyable to read it.

Not sure about this book. Why did you want to live in Rome anyway? There are lots of holes in the narrative and editing errors by the ton. Lots of whining and complaining regardless of where the travelers ventured.What were the good parts? Tell us about what you bought in the "supermarket". What did you learn about customs---supplying the birthday cake, Christmas Eve, religious holidays....?I hope all the other issues were resolved and I hope your life in California is all that you wished.

I only read travel books these days & this one was a delightful way to "spend some time" in Italy. I felt as though I'd actually been there after reading it! When you can imagine yourself being in the story, that's a good story. Highly recommend this book :)

I knew from the beginning this was going to be a bit of a disappointment when the author laments not being able to eat at some burger joint in California and claims NY Pizza is the best in the world! Top that off with his longing for Mexican food. No offense to Mexico but your cuisine ranks up there with Finland's for boring, and unhealthy. What was more of a disappointment and perhaps made their journey so much less than it could have been was their lack of [at least as told in the book] ability to befriend or be befriended by Italians? To become part of the community besides their short weekly interactions with shop keepers. The fact that days went by without speaking Italian was an indication of the social isolation they may have encountered. Besides the harvest participation, I do not recall any other significant socializing with Italians. Contrast this story to Il Bel Centro, a good

read, where the family became part of the community, developed life long friendships and bonds. Kudos to the author for writing and publishing his dairy, but it seems from my reading that he is like so many expats that move somewhere then lament the things they miss about home and do everything they can to recreate in some sense that environment. Italy has plenty of warts, but I would take Italy any day over Mexico, Venezuela or California!

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