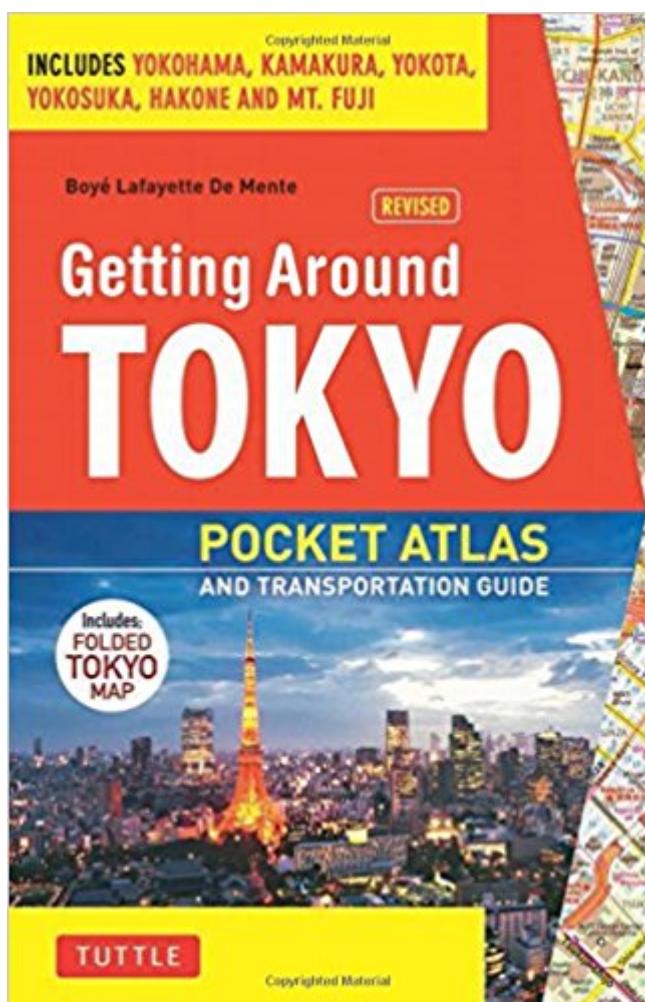


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Synopsis

This pocket atlas and Japan travel guide is an indispensable tool for getting around Tokyo—whether as a first-time visitor, or a local resident. The travel book is conveniently divided into chapters that enable the user to know what to do on arriving at Narita or Haneda Airport, and then how to get into and around the city using all available means of public transport. Area maps for all the key districts of Tokyo show the locations of hotels, shopping centers, office buildings, temples, shrines, embassies and restaurants as well as their proximity to the nearest subway and JR stations. Information on bus routes and private railways is also given, with detailed diagrams for each route, thus enabling the user to have several options for getting around. Places of interest outside Tokyo are also covered: Hakone, Yokohama, Kamakura, Yokosuka, Mt Fuji and Tokyo Disneyland. Numerous area maps (including maps for Yokota, Atsugi and Zama) and diagrams for bus routes and private railways facilitate journeys to all of these destinations. This Tokyo travel guide contains: Arriving in Tokyo Maps of Tokyo Navigating the Tokyo's Railway & Subway & Maze Buses Routes Getting Around Yokohama, Kawasaki, Hakone & Kamakura Useful Vocabulary and Expressions

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70-plus books include Japan's Cultural Code Words, Business Guide to Japan, and Japan Unmasked.

Completely worthless "guide".1. The included city map scale print is too tiny to read and no included reference points (which is important in a city that largely doesn't have street names). Scale of the map also helps make the map useless. The free "Tourist Map of Tokyo" from the Japan National Tourism is far superior.2. The book itself is NOT an atlas. It is largely (70%-80%) composed of highly detailed breakdown of individual lines of the tokyo subway system. Which is great BUT it doesn't show how the lines connect with each other/nor does it show what tourist attractions are at each stop/just name in Roman and Kanji. Useless.I returned.NOTE-This review ONLY applies to Getting Around Tokyo. The Getting Around Kyoto (from a different author/same published) is actually EXCELLENT.

I have been collecting and reading Boye De Mente's books for over 25 years. He knows Japan better than most people know their home country. He knows the culture, subculture, geography, people, history but most of all he can write it in such a way that the reader comes away enlightened and far more knowledgeable than before reading his books. I would recommend this book to anyone who visits Tokyo, be it first timer or experienced traveler. This is the only book you will need.

This metro guide was by far the most useful book i brought on my recent trip to Tokyo. Although there is plenty of English signage in Tokyo's metro stations, it can still be very confusing to get around. With this metro guide, it gives you bulletproof guidance on how to get from A to B, guaranteed. Tons of maps and explanations of each different network of rails and busses gives you confidence on getting around. It even has some sightseeing suggestions for the various areas which i found helpful. Don't get me wrong this book will not replace your Frommers/Lonely Planet/Fodor books, but those books wont help you at all with navigating the complex metro system.

My review is related to the Kindle Edition and specifically regarding the maps. I purchased this to get detailed maps for while I was in Tokyo. The maps are illegible and blurry zoomed in at any level where you might be trying to read the names of streets, landmarks, etc... I cannot understand how the level of detail could be so poor/low quality. No wonder the preview for the kindle version does not offer a sample map. Only the print version shows an example page for a map. The quality of the kindle version maps is WAY worse than the print version sample provided.

This review is for the Kindle version only. I bought this book for the maps, but the maps are horrible! They are unreadable when blown up due to the poor quality so lost all of it's value. Other reviewers have commented on this and I wish I had listened. Luckily, I was able to return this book for a refund. It does seem to be a good resource book, so will most likely pick up a hard copy. 12/15/2014 Bought the hard copy and really is informative. Worth getting that is why gave it another star. Too bad the Kindle versions is so bad. Would be great to have on my tablet instead of carrying the book.

Just back from Tokyo and Kyoto. This was by far the most practical and useful travel book we had. The Lonely Planet guide was useful, but the biggest obstacle for non-Japanese tourists like us in Tokyo is getting around. This guide had the best maps and subway guide we found anywhere (we had several guide books). I was constantly reaching for it, and it saved us from a few potential mishaps. I really missed not having the Kyoto version when we hit Kyoto. Get this book if you are a first timer to Tokyo. You will be glad you did.

This is a perfect planner for transportation. Not a "guidebook", but the best book I've seen on navigating subways, etc. Which is exactly what it claims to be.

Good book to take with you while in Japan. It is even better if you read it before you go. We went into Tokyo several times to catch trains and there is nothing that can prep you until you are there. There are so many options that it is always best to ask a worker in the station you are at for advice. We thought on a couple of times we found the best route and it was not.

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