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Hot pink hair can't hide you from high-tech hitmen. A timid and lonely sixteen-year-old girl flees from bullying into her dream world of dashing master spy dolls, blue-haired Katy Perry Barbies, and pink Hello Kitty dresses. And she hacks her way across the Net behind the avatar of a six foot four hunk with the handle Cowabunga Dude. A presidential video falls into her laptop and puts her pink paradise in peril. When the clandestine worlds of hacking and military technology collide with her secret crush, she faces the toughest decision of her young life. Love or War? Enjoy this first thrilling 280-page adventure in the Cyberthriller series where a hacker girl sings and dances past discrimination, prejudice, and fear in a fight for her country and herself. Get the exciting technothriller CyberSpiracy now. "CyberSpiracy is stellar. I see the movie in my mind when I think about his story line and unforgettable characters. I cannot recommend this author more highly. This man can write." — Toni K Pacini, Author ~ Poet ~ Storyteller~ Speaker "I absolutely love that the protagonist is a young woman who kicks ass in the world of computer coding and has a hand in saving the free world by making sure that democracy stays intact while falling in love, These stories are an important and empowering voice that deserve to be added to the landscape of the Young Adult canvas." — Valerie J Runyan, Author, Quandaries of Love "Cyberspiracy is an entertaining, fast-paced read with a main character that is quirky without sacrificing relatability and who, through her intelligence and skills, embodies the overall message that girls can do anything, from coding to singing to running a country. It's a commendable message and something that as a reader and woman I really appreciate." — Indie Book Club What happens in Vegas doesn't necessarily stay in Vegas and the proof is in this lively and entertaining compilation of stories chronicling decades of decadence, celebrity shenanigans, and political corruption, as well as the glitz and glamour of the casinos that pass for everyday life in Las Vegas. With fast-paced and entertaining prose, Jeff Burbank captures the true stories from Las Vegas' seedy underbelly that have led to America's 100-year fascination with the aptly named Sin City. Vegas, baby! The Complete Idiot's Guide® to Las Vegas takes the guesswork out of planning the perfect vacation. Readers are given practical advice based on the kind of trip they're looking for. ?A reader-friendly list of visual icons and symbols that make navigating the book easy ?Ultimate itineraries suited to different lengths of stay and special interests ?Everything readers need to know about gambling, shopping, entertainment, restaurants, activities, and hotels ?An eight-page color insert that captures the magic of the city Branch Whitney has hiked and climbed more than 3,000 miles, led more than 2,000 hikers to summits, and blazed wild and rewarding scrambling routes all over the Southwest. When Whitney claims that some of the best hiking and rock-scrambling in the United States are within an hour of the Las Vegas Strip, you can believe him. Hiking Las Vegas is now available in a newly updated edition, covering Red Rock Canyon, Mount Charleston, and Lake Mead, and featuring everything from relaxing trails to challenging climbs for advanced daredevils. Every hike includes driving directions to the trailhead; a quick-reference guide to difficulty, distance, elevation, and completion time; step-by-step instructions on how to get from the trailhead to the final destination; gorgeous color photos and helpful waypoints; and dozens of quick tips so you can stay safe while getting the best views possible. Berman's Easy Street presented the classic memoir of growing up in Las Vegas. Now she offers a new personal narrative--the companion book to a four-hour A&E documentary series, Inside Straight: The Real Las Vegas--which captures the soul of Las Vegas through a riveting combination of never-before-seen photos and a gripping, personal narrative by the little girl who never left. Color photos & illustrations. Newly revised, updated, and redesigned for 2016. True to its name, DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Las Vegas covers all the city's major sights and attractions in easy-to-use "top 10" lists that help you plan the vacation that's right for you. This newly updated pocket travel guide for Las Vegas will lead you straight to the best attractions the city has to offer, from the best bars, clubs, restaurants, and casinos to the greatest shows, the best places to shop, and the most astonishing themed hotels. Expert travel writers have fully revised this edition of DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Las Vegas. + Brand-new itineraries help you plan your trip to Las Vegas. + Maps of walking routes show you the best ways to maximize your time. + New Top 10 lists feature off-the-beaten-track ideas, along with standbys like the top attractions, shopping, dining options, and more. + New typography and fresh layout throughout. You'll still find DK's famous full-color photography and museum floor plans, along with just the right amount of coverage of the city's history and culture. The perfect pocket-size travel companion: DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Las Vegas. The bachelor party/guy's weekend has become a staple of the Las Vegas strip. The Las Vegas Little Black Book knows what men want from their weekend in Sin City, where to find it, how much to pay for it and how to go home satisfied. After growing up in a rural area of Montana, I became an avid reader of 30 years plus! Retired in Las Vegas. Met Phyllis. Asked to read Book one of "Las Vegas Life" series. Read it in 3 days! Unlike any normal life read! Loved it! Entertaining, thrilling,

informative, compelling, fun. A range of emotions! Great woman's book! Anxious for Book Two! --Norma DeVries, Business Entrepreneur I never knew of the exciting life of a Las Vegas cocktail waitress. Cece, who is "Las Vegas Life" Book One's main female character, is a strong and honest woman, who finds herself in the midst of many circumstances, including times of danger and corruption. She risks her life on a daily basis to help support her family, but always shares lessons of faith and honesty. The series of "Las Vegas Life" is exciting, fun, entertaining, and inspirational! --LAURA H. Casino life, the knowledge of Las Vegas, and the curiosity about the people living in Las Vegas have mesmerized worldwide tourists for many years. Gambling has been a part of Nevada's Wild West long before this "Silver State" joined the United States of America in 1864, yet gambling only became legal in Nevada in 1931. Book One, in the trilogy of the "Las Vegas Life" books, portrays the beginning of an exceptional lifelong love story of two, young, and beautiful Las Vegas, Nevada teenagers, Cece and Ian. Book One starts in the mid-1960s and on through their many years together in Las Vegas. The twists and turns throughout the trilogy are completely unexpected as each story continues on to unfold into the many exciting, thrilling, and emotional experiences in the couple's lives together, while continuously introducing you to their ever growing personalities, their happy and evolving love story, their futures, their family, their true friends, as well as other interesting, kind, and/or deceitful acquaintances along their life journeys in their casino environments and in their casino experiences. So sit back, relax, hold on, and enjoy! Recent decades have seen a dramatic shift away from social forms of gambling played around roulette wheels and card tables to solitary gambling at electronic terminals. Slot machines, revamped by ever more compelling digital and video technology, have unseated traditional casino games as the gambling industry's revenue mainstay. Addiction by Design takes readers into the intriguing world of machine gambling, an increasingly popular and absorbing form of play that blurs the line between human and machine, compulsion and control, risk and reward. Drawing on fifteen years of field research in Las Vegas, anthropologist Natasha Dow Schüll shows how the mechanical rhythm of electronic gambling pulls players into a trancelike state they call the "machine zone," in which daily worries, social demands, and even bodily awareness fade away. Once in the zone, gambling addicts play not to win but simply to keep playing, for as long as possible--even at the cost of physical and economic exhaustion. In continuous machine play, gamblers seek to lose themselves while the gambling industry seeks profit. Schüll describes the strategic calculations behind game algorithms and machine ergonomics, casino architecture and "ambience management," player tracking and cash access systems--all designed to meet the market's desire for maximum "time on device." Her account moves from casino floors into gamblers' everyday lives, from gambling industry conventions and Gamblers Anonymous meetings to regulatory debates over whether addiction to gambling machines stems from the consumer, the product, or the interplay between the two. Addiction by Design is a compelling inquiry into the intensifying traffic between people and machines of chance, offering clues to some of the broader anxieties and predicaments of contemporary life. At stake in Schüll's account of the intensifying traffic between people and machines of chance is a blurring of the line between design and experience, profit and loss, control and compulsion. This handbook to the neon oasis incorporates tips on blackjack and other gaming options to give you the chance to leave Las Vegas without losing the lot. It includes coverage of the area's other sights, from watersports at Lake Mead to the Hoover Dam and the Valley of Fire, plus an account of the Strip's 100 year history. Time Out Las Vegas is the only crib sheet travelers need to the world's most outlandish city. Whether going for a short or extended visit, this guide is an invaluable companion through the neon maze that awaits in Las Vegas. With the lowdown on all the hotels and casinos, money-saving tips, extensive restaurant reviews, hints on the hottest nightlife, and a full guide to gambling, it leaves nothing to chance. This seventh edition proves that there is more to Sin City than just sequins and slots — the dramatic expansion in hotel accommodations, fine dining, and shopping is attracting tourists from every economic strata, not just those with gambling as their sole agenda. The guide contains a detailed explanation of what games are available in the casinos, as well as tips on how to play them. There is also a chapter on suggested side trips to Hoover Dam, as well as other sights in Nevada and Arizona. The Rough Guide to Las Vegas is the definitive guide to the entertainment capital of the world. Whether you're looking for inspiring accommodation or great places to eat, from bargain buffets to the latest gourmet restaurants, you'll find the solution. Learn where and how to gamble, whether your game's blackjack, poker or roulette, plus get the full lowdown on how LV's casinos have grown from their murky Mob-owned roots to the flamboyant fantasylands of today. Keep up with Sin City's no-holds-barred nightlife; from the most exciting places to party to its legendary shows, or venture away from the strip to nearby natural wonders like the Grand Canyon and Zion National Park. Accurate maps, casino floor-plans and comprehensive practical information help you get under the skin of Las Vegas, whilst stunning photography and a full-colour introduction make this your ultimate travelling companion. Make the most of your trip with The Rough Guide to Las Vegas. The former Las Vegas mayor recounts the stories and cases of his life as a defense attorney. Saucy insider Molly Sullivan shows you that it's not your boyfriend's, husband's, father's or brother's Vegas anymore! Molly's Las Vegas Little Red Book is the perfect entree to that unforgettable no tell weekend for single gals on the prowl, soccer moms on holiday, and all those fabulous fun-seeking women in between! Save time and money with in-depth reviews, ratings, and details from the trusted source for a successful Las Vegas vacation. How do some guests always seem to find the best restaurants, the best shows, the best hotels—and still come home with winnings in their pockets? Why do some guests pay full price for their visit when others can save hundreds of dollars? In Las Vegas, every minute and every dollar count. Your vacation is too important to be left to chance, so put the independent guide to Las Vegas in your hands and take control of your trip. The Unofficial Guide to Las Vegas explains how Sin City works and how to use that knowledge to stay ahead of the crowd. Authors Bob Sehlinger and Seth Kubersky know that you want your vacation to be anything but average, so they employ an expert team of researchers to find the secrets, the shortcuts, and the bargains that are sure to make your vacation exceptional! Find out what's available in every category, ranked from best to worst, and get detailed plans to make the most of your time in Las Vegas. Stay at a top-rated hotel, eat at the most acclaimed restaurants, and experience all the most popular attractions. Inside You'll Find: Nearly 100 hotels and casinos described, rated, and ranked?the most offered by any guidebook?plus strategies for scoring the best room rate Reviews of more than 100 restaurants?a complete dining guide within the guide, plus the best buffets and brunches The best places to play for every casino game Almost 50 pages of gambling tips, including how to play, recognizing sucker games, and cutting the house advantage to the bone Critical reviews of more than 70 of Las Vegas's best shows Complete coverage of the Las Vegas nightclub, bar, and lounge scene, with surefire advice on how to get into the most exclusive venues Detailed instructions for avoiding Strip and I-15 traffic gridlock In-depth descriptions and consumer tips on shopping and experiencing attractions Make the right choices to create a vacation you'll never forget. The Unofficial Guide to Las Vegas is your key to planning a perfect

stay. Whether you're putting together your annual trip or preparing for your first visit, this book gives you the insider scoop on hotels, restaurants, entertainment, and more. The incredible true story of the card-counting mathematics professor who taught the world how to beat the dealer and, as the first of the great quantitative investors, ushered in a revolution on Wall Street. A child of the Great Depression, legendary mathematician Edward O. Thorp invented card counting, proving the seemingly impossible: that you could beat the dealer at the blackjack table. As a result he launched a gambling renaissance. His remarkable success—and mathematically unassailable method—caused such an uproar that casinos altered the rules of the game to thwart him and the legions he inspired. They barred him from their premises, even put his life in jeopardy. Nonetheless, gambling was forever changed. Thereafter, Thorp shifted his sights to “the biggest casino in the world”: Wall Street. Devising and then deploying mathematical formulas to beat the market, Thorp ushered in the era of quantitative finance we live in today. Along the way, the so-called godfather of the quants played bridge with Warren Buffett, crossed swords with a young Rudy Giuliani, detected the Bernie Madoff scheme, and, to beat the game of roulette, invented, with Claude Shannon, the world's first wearable computer. Here, for the first time, Thorp tells the story of what he did, how he did it, his passions and motivations, and the curiosity that has always driven him to disregard conventional wisdom and devise game-changing solutions to seemingly insoluble problems. An intellectual thrill ride, replete with practical wisdom that can guide us all in uncertain financial waters, *A Man for All Markets* is an instant classic—a book that challenges its readers to think logically about a seemingly irrational world. Praise for *A Man for All Markets* “In *A Man for All Markets*, [Thorp] delightfully recounts his progress (if that is the word) from college teacher to gambler to hedge-fund manager. Along the way we learn important lessons about the functioning of markets and the logic of investment.”—The Wall Street Journal “[Thorp] gives a biological summation (think Richard Feynman's *Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman!*) of his quest to prove the aphorism ‘the house always wins’ is flawed. . . . Illuminating for the mathematically inclined, and cautionary for would-be gamblers and day traders”—Library Journal

From the original gambling halls of yesteryear to the newest hotel on the block. this comprehensive history of Las Vegas features full-color photos of "Grifter Gulch" and the "The Strip." Tells you everything but how to leave the town a winner. Everyone thinks they know the history of the Las Vegas Strip. But the real story is both fascinating and not well known. What was there before the Bellagio, the Wynn, the Venetian, or those empty plots of land that look out of place? Why is the Flamingo one of the oldest and most surviving hotels on the boulevard? From conception to implosion, you get the detailed histories of the hotels built during those formative years, including the El Rancho Vegas, Hotel Last Frontier, Flamingo, Thunderbird, Wilbur Clark's Desert Inn, Sahara, Sands, Royal Nevada, Riviera, and the Dunes. Included in these histories are architectural designs, the neon signage, and how each of the hotels evolved. This book also includes rarely seen, historic imagery. The dreamers, who saw the future like few others and who built these hotels, helped turn a five-mile stretch of blacktop highway into the Entertainment Capital of the World. This is the story of the first twenty-five years of the Classic Las Vegas Strip--how it began, and how it grew. MODERN & CONTEMPORARY FICTION (POST C 1945). It's Halloween in Las Vegas and things are crazier than normal for Connie the wedding planner. Vicky and Frank are in town for their nuptials but she soon realises that he has more on his mind than wedding bells. Vicky's teenage daughter Tina is less than impressed until she meets Connie's moody and enigmatic son Kyle. Frank's brother John is trying to hold everyone together but then something happens that turns the wedding party on their heads at 4am in Las Vegas! Life and love seem to have slipped through Suzanne's fingers but then, new to Facebook, she stumbles upon more than she expected when she receives a friend request from old flame Ronan in Boston. He's on his way to Las Vegas for a work convention and Suzanne's friend Eddie convinces her that she should go too. What has she got to lose? When they all meet in Binion's Casino the cards have already been dealt but will there be a winner? Lonely Planet's Pocket Las Vegas is your passport to the most relevant, up-to-date advice on what to see and skip, and what hidden discoveries await you. Get to the heart of the best of Las Vegas and begin your journey now! The shadowy past and present of Las Vegas--and its role in the shaping of today's America--are here revealed as never before by two of the country's leading investigative reporters. After five years of intensive research and interviewing, Sally Denton and Roger Morris make clear how and why Las Vegas became the greatest "business success story" of the twentieth century, and how the rest of America ensured this success by contributing capital as well as customers. Headquarters of a trillion-dollar worldwide empire, the site of unprecedented political and economic power, Las Vegas, in the view of Denton and Morris, is by no means an aberrant sin city. They demonstrate how, on the contrary, it has grown out of, and reflects, a corruption and a worship of money that have crept into American life since Prohibition. They trace the original funds for the founding of the Las Vegas we know today to nationwide narcotics trafficking. They show how deeply a multiethnic criminal syndicate, in part feeding off gambling profits and the skim in Las Vegas, came to influence American politics and the larger society, and how pervasively its "style of business" has penetrated the entire nation. Denton and Morris detail the amazing rise and reach of Meyer Lansky--the mind that ran the city; exactly how criminals, politicians, and businessmen worked together to control Las Vegas; the curious interplay of the city with the fates of Joseph, John F., and Robert Kennedy; how Howard Hughes and J. Edgar Hoover vastly intensified the city's corruption; how Mormon bankers and Wall Street financiers have bankrolled and profited from casinos ruled by organized crime; how a handful of dedicated journalists and law enforcement officers were destroyed before they could expose the city's secrets. *The Money and the Power* is a detailed and illuminating chronicle of an extraordinary place and time-- and a provocative reinterpretation of twentieth-century American history. Quicklets: Learn more. Read less. Born in Louisville, Kentucky in 1937, Hunter S. Thompson was a consummate journeyman, wandering the globe in search of God knows what. He spent the early part of his career writing about sports. In fact, his personality can be closely linked to another Louisville product of the same era: Muhammad Ali. Both men, fueled by a certain sense of self-love, spat in the face of authority, decorum and everything else that mid-century America held dear. True to the ethos of Gonzo Journalism, *Fear and Loathing* is loosely based on two trips (pun intended) Thompson took with an attorney, Oscar Zeta Acosta, to Las Vegas in 1971. Thompson, a professional writer closely associated with some of the country's biggest magazines, was sent by *Sports Illustrated* to write an elongated picture caption for the Mint 400, one of the world's most lucrative off-road races. A few months later, Thompson was sent to Las Vegas again to cover a drug conference held by the National District Attorneys. What was supposed to be a couple hundred words about an off-road race turned into a manuscript nearly ten times the size. The work was rejected outright by *Sports Illustrated*, but accepted by *Rolling Stone*. Thompson notoriously reluctant to review and revise his own works completed five drafts of the book before its publishing. *Fear and Loathing* was met by much critical acclaim. It was thought by Thompson's contemporaries to be one of the best books ever written about the 1960s drug culture. What images

come to mind when you think of Las Vegas? Mobsters and showgirls, magicians and tigers, multimillion-dollar poker games and prizefights; towering signboards that light up the night in front of ever more spectacular casino hotels. But real people live here, too--over a million today, two million tomorrow. Greater Las Vegas has long been the fastest growing metropolitan area in America. And almost every aspect of its citizens' lives is influenced by the almighty power of the gambling industry. A team of fifteen reporters led by David Littlejohn, together with prize winning photo-journalist Eric Gran, studied the "real" Las Vegas--the city beyond the Strip and Downtown--for the better part of a year. They talked to teenagers (whose suicide and dropout rates frighten parents), senior citizens (many of whom spend their days playing bingo and the slots), Mexican immigrants (who build the new houses and clean the hotels), homeless people and angry blacks, as well as local police, active Christians, city officials, and prostitutes. They looked into the local churches, the powerful labor unions, pawn shops, the real estate boom, defiant ranchers to the north, and dire predictions that the city is about to run out of water. Proud Las Vegans claim that theirs is just a friendly southwestern boomtown--"the finest community I have ever lived in," says Bishop Daniel Walsh, who comes from San Francisco. But their picture of Las Vegas as a vibrant, civic-minded metropolis conflicts with evidence of transiency, rootlessness, political impotence, and social dysfunction. In this close-up investigation of the real lives being led in America's most tourist-jammed, gambling-driven city, readers will discover a Las Vegas very different from the one they may have seen or imagined. In the mid-1970s, Ian Andersen wrote *Turning the Tables on Las Vegas*, the classic book on casino comportment. As the first book to broach the all-important consideration of how to get away with getting the money, *Turning* was the book that launched a thousand blackjack careers. After its publication, however, Andersen disappeared from the scene. Where did he go? The answer is spelled out in this long-awaited sequel, *Burning the Tables in Las Vegas--Keys to Success in Blackjack and in Life*. Since 1976, Andersen has been perfecting his personal program for success in blackjack, poker, and other of life's games. His technique I combines elements of mathematics, psychology, and mental and physical well-being to create a never-before disclosed approach to winning. *Burning the Tables in Las Vegas* addresses virtually every aspect of blackjack advantage play: game selection, longevity, tipping, employee relations, guises, disguises, false identification, credit, comps, risk, heat, dress, demeanor, and diet. Andersen also explains how emotions, such as guilt and anger, and skills, such as discipline and interpersonal competence, can affect your prospects for profit. Peppared with fascinating anecdotes and stories from Andersen's forays into the great casinos of the world, *Burning the Tables in Las Vegas* takes you on a vicarious journey into rarefied realm of the high-stakes blackjack pro--and show you what it takes to be one. Contemporary Romance Author AJ Harmon, author of the Amazon top-rated First Class Novels series, brings you book 2 of her new Sky Romance Novels series, *Las Vegas - what happens in Vegas doesn't always stay in Vegas*. Lose yourself in this emotional journey of self-discovery and transformation. After taking a Sky Romance flight to Las Vegas, socialite Jessie Ellis learns the hard way that what happens in Vegas doesn't always stay in Vegas. Choices have consequences, and not making the hard choices could have life-long consequences. Just days away from being swept down a predetermined path, not by her choice but because it was easy and expected, Jessie makes the hard decision to choose her own future and fight for the love and happiness she deserves. As her predetermined and passive existence crumbles around her, will she find her dream of a joyful and fulfilling happiness and a passionate and forever love? Asher Jenkins is in desperate need of some decompression time. Trying to make partner at his law firm has left him drained and as best man for his best friend's wedding, what better place for a bachelor party than Las Vegas? A chance meeting for Jessie and Asher turns into a mind-blowing one-night stand. Saying goodbye, they assumed they would never see one another again, but fate has a way of helping them to realize that their futures are entwined. Will they continue to fight it? Or accept that their destiny is to be together? Will Asher be able to capture Jessie's shielded heart? The Sky Romance Novels is a new contemporary romance series that answers the question, "I wonder where they're flying to and why." Each book tells the story of the passengers and crew on a Sky Airlines flight. In book 1 we followed Jill, William and Annie on a flight to San Diego where you discover that loves comes in many forms. In book 2 we read about Jessie and Asher as they fly to Las Vegas, only to realize that what happens in Vegas doesn't always stay in Vegas. Watch for more books and travel destinations in the series coming soon. A disturbing and emotional story of a woman who embraces life and a man who rejects it. Sera, a prostitute, and Ben, an alcoholic, stumble together and discover in each other a respite from their unforgiving lives. A story of unconditional love between two disenfranchised and lost souls. A friendly, conversational look at what Calvinism has to say to the 21st century world, this book clears up some misconceptions about Calvinism and shows Calvinists how to live gently and respectfully with Christians who disagree as well as with non-Christians who have no clue what TULIP means. Berlitz Pocket Guide Las Vegas combines stunning colour photography with insider tricks and tips to help you uncover this desert metropolis. It shows you everything you need to know about the city's attractions, from the glitzy casinos on the Strip to the sparkling lights of downtown. Handy maps on the cover flaps help you find your way, and maps within the book are helpfully cross-referenced to the text, making your way-finding an easy experience. To inspire you, the book offers a rundown Las Vegas's Top 10 Attractions, followed by an itinerary for a Perfect Day in the city. The What to Do chapter is a snapshot of ways to spend your spare time, from nightlife and shopping to seeing a show. Excursions outside the city are also covered, including the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam, and Death Valley. The book provides all the essential background information, including a brief history of the city and an Eating Out chapter covering the city's cuisine. There are carefully chosen listings of the best hotels and restaurants and an A-Z of all the practical information you'll need. The Where to Go and What to Do sections provide information written by local specialists, and will help you find the real Las Vegas, not just the city of glitz and glam. The color-coded sections in the book help you navigate quickly, so you'll never miss the opening number of a show or the first toss of the dice. Spanish explorers were the first to come to this desert oasis to enjoy its natural hot springs and named the spot Las Vegas, or "the meadows." Now just a century after it was founded in 1905, the "Sin City" is the fastest growing metropolitan area in the U.S. See just how much has changed in this convenient compact edition of *Las Vegas Then & Now*. It includes "now" photos taken in September 2006 and the most up-to-date information about casino closures and new projects slated for 2006/2007. Highlights include then-and-now images of icons like Caesar's Palace, the Flamingo, the United States Post Office and Court House and Glitter Gulch. The catacombs of ancient Rome served as houses of worship for Jews and Christians. The sewers of Paris yielded gold, jewels, and relics of the revolution. A slave trade thrived in underground chambers along Portland, Oregon's waterfront. Ukrainian Jews found refuge from the Nazis in a system of caves. And thousands of street people have lived in the subway tunnels of New York City. What secrets do the Las Vegas storm drains keep? What discoveries wait in the dark? What's beneath the neon? Armed with a flashlight, tape recorder, and expandable baton, Las Vegas CityLife writer and

editor Matthew O'Brien explored the black-and-grey underworld of the Las Vegas flood-control system for four years. This book chronicles O'Brien's adventures in subterranean Las Vegas. He follows the footsteps of a psycho killer. He braces against a raging flood. He parties with naked crackheads. He learns how to make meth, that art is most beautiful where it is least expected, that in many ways, he prefers underground Las Vegas to aboveground Las Vegas, and that there are no pots of gold under the neon rainbow. Every day there are thousands of people visiting Las Vegas who are spending much more money than they need to. It's not entirely their fault; they just don't have the information that would allow them to save tons of money. The Tightwad's Guide to Las Vegas will tell you everything you need to know to visit Las Vegas without breaking the bank. Did You Know? Casinos and hotels whose names end in "Station" have the cheapest buffets. You can get a room for less than \$10 per night. There are more free activities than you could ever fit into one trip. Free shuttles and trams are available if you know where to look. "The Tightwad's Guide To Las Vegas" is your quick, easy to read pocket book will save you tons of money, and give you some great ideas!

Recent high school graduate and aspiring artist Walter Stahl lives with his ailing father in the dregs of Las Vegas, their lives overshadowed by the disappearance of Walter's mother, who drove off when he was five and never returned. Although Walter has never so much as seen a photograph of his mother, it doesn't stop him from keeping an eye out for her in the groups of tourists he caters to in his dead-end job along the Strip. Then Walter meets Chrysto and Acacia, a brother and sister working as living statues at the Venetian Hotel, and his world cracks open. Spending less time caring for his father, and more time riding on the backs of Vespas and drawing, Walter finds life has more to offer than he could have imagined. But as his feelings for Chrysto deepen, and as clues behind his mother's disappearance start to reveal themselves, Walter is forced to face the truth about himself and his family history. Threading through this coming-of-age story are beautiful and heart-wrenching graphic illustrations, depicting how Walter's mother Emily, a Vietnamese-born accordion player, abandoned her family to chase a vision of Liberia across the country; and how Walter's father went searching for her amongst the gondolas of the Venetian Hotel.

In *Still Life Las Vegas*, the magical collides with the mundane; memory, sexual awakening and familial ties all lead to a place where everything is illuminated, and nothing is real. 50th Anniversary Edition • With an introduction by Caity Weaver, acclaimed New York Times journalist. This cult classic of gonzo journalism is the best chronicle of drug-soaked, addle-brained, rollicking good times ever committed to the printed page. It is also the tale of a long weekend road trip that has gone down in the annals of American pop culture as one of the strangest journeys ever undertaken. Also a major motion picture directed by Terry Gilliam, starring Johnny Depp and Benicio del Toro.

Las Vegas was a mob town built on restlessness and hunger, on glitter, greed, and the firm belief that anyone can get lucky once. But in the last decade Las Vegas has had its own change of fortune, transforming itself from a gambler's fun house to one of the country's top family vacation spots. Now Pete Earley--the investigative journalist and award-winning author who stormed Leavenworth in *The Hot House*--takes us inside today's colossal theme casinos, in a fascinating look at the life, death, and fantastic rebirth of the Las Vegas Strip. With 320 days of sunshine, 500 churches, 27 golf courses, and no state income tax, Las Vegas is the ultimate boomtown. And at the heart of the boom are the new "entertainment superstores" known as super casinos. How do they run? Who are the business titans responsible for these extravagant showplaces? And why was the gaudy Vegas of the Rat Pack era remade in the first place? Pete Earley traces this evolution by taking a probing look at the checkered history of Las Vegas--when moguls, mobsters, and the world's top entertainers came together to create this ultimate monument to American excess. This fascinating book reveals the real stories of well-known power brokers like Steve Wynn, Vegas legends like Howard Hughes and Bugsy Siegel, and the gripping rise and fall and rise again of the entrepreneurs behind one of the largest gaming corporations in the nation, the colossus Circus Circus, to which the author was given unique access. Earley's trademark you-are-there style brings us front and center as "whales" win and lose hundreds of thousands of dollars in a few seconds. We see grifters try every trick in the book to beat the odds--while-eye-in-the-sky cameras record all the action. We go behind the scenes to meet the blackjack dealers and hookers, the heavy hitters and bit players, the maids and chefs, security officers, cabbies, and showgirls who are caught up in the mercurial pace that pulses at the heart of this astounding city. This lively, probing book lays forth the real Las Vegas and shows how and why it has become the biggest draw in the country, offering adult and family entertainment like no other in the world. The result is an intriguing, often troubling look at a uniquely American city founded on greed--and a nation that built its own mad Mecca in the desert. This is the new Las Vegas--no longer the stomping ground of the Rat Pack, but just as fascinating, just as energized, just as cutthroat. What, and who, is behind it all? Earley was offered unique access to one of the largest gaming corporations in the nation (Circus Circus), and through his investigation of other major gambling enterprises, he shows how the Strip of yesterday has transformed itself, with multi-faceted, themed mega-complexes offering adult and family entertainment like no other in the world. Wall Street analysts call Las Vegas "the biggest cash cow in America"--its 1999 revenues were a staggering \$27.2 billion. *SUPER CASINO* tells how it came to be the biggest draw in the country, while catching the voices of those large and small--bosses, shift managers, dealers, cashiers, showgirls, hookers, cabbies, tourists, and of course, the players--who make it run today. --> Today's Las Vegas welcomes 35 million visitors a year and reigns as the world's premier gaming mecca. But it is much more than a gambling paradise. In *A Short History of Las Vegas*, Barbara and Myrick Land reveal a fascinating history beyond the mobsters, casinos, and showgirls. The authors present a complete story, beginning with southern Nevada's indigenous peoples and the earliest explorers to the first pioneers to settle in the area; from the importance of the railroad and the construction of Hoover Dam to the arrival of the Mob after World War II; from the first isolated resorts to appear in the dusty desert to the upscale, extravagant theme resorts of today. Las Vegas—and its history—is full of surprises. The second edition of this lively history includes details of the latest developments and describes the growing anticipation surrounding the Las Vegas centennial celebration in 2005. New chapters focus on the recent implosions of famous old structures and the construction of glamorous new developments, headline-making mergers and multibillion-dollar deals involving famous Strip properties, and a concluding look at what life is like for the nearly two million residents who call Las Vegas home. *Discovering Vintage Las Vegas* takes you back in time to all of the timeless classic spots this city has to offer. The book spotlights the charming stories that tell you what each place is like now and how it got that way from classic restaurants to shops to other establishments like the casinos that still thrive today and evoke the unique character of the city. They're all still around--but they won't be around forever. Start reading, and start your discovering now! The greatest threat to privacy today is not the NSA, but good-old American companies. Internet giants, leading retailers, and other firms are voraciously gathering data with little oversight from anyone. In Las Vegas, no company knows the value of data better than Caesars Entertainment. Many thousands of enthusiastic clients pour through the ever-open doors of their

casinos. The secret to the company's success lies in their one unrivaled asset: they know their clients intimately by tracking the activities of the overwhelming majority of gamblers. They know exactly what games they like to play, what foods they enjoy for breakfast, when they prefer to visit, who their favorite hostess might be, and exactly how to keep them coming back for more. Caesars' dogged data-gathering methods have been so successful that they have grown to become the world's largest casino operator, and have inspired companies of all kinds to ramp up their own data mining in the hopes of boosting their targeted marketing efforts. Some do this themselves. Some rely on data brokers. Others clearly enter a moral gray zone that should make American consumers deeply uncomfortable. We live in an age when our personal information is harvested and aggregated whether we like it or not. And it is growing ever more difficult for those businesses that choose not to engage in more intrusive data gathering to compete with those that do. Tanner's timely warning resounds: Yes, there are many benefits to the free flow of all this data, but there is a dark, unregulated, and destructive netherworld as well. DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Las Vegas will lead you straight to the very best the city has to offer. Whether you're looking for the things not to miss at the Top 10 sights or want to find the best nightspots, this guide is the perfect pocket-sized companion. Rely on dozens of Top 10 lists--from the Top 10 museums to the Top 10 events and festivals. There's even a list of the Top 10 things to avoid. The guide is divided by area, each with its own photo gallery and clear maps pinpointing the top sights. You also can view each location in Google Maps if reading on an Internet-enabled device. Plan each day with our itineraries and see the sights in individual areas. You'll find the insider knowledge you need to explore every corner with DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Las Vegas, now with a sleek new eBook design. DK Eyewitness Travel Guide: Top 10 Las Vegas--showing you what others only tell you.

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