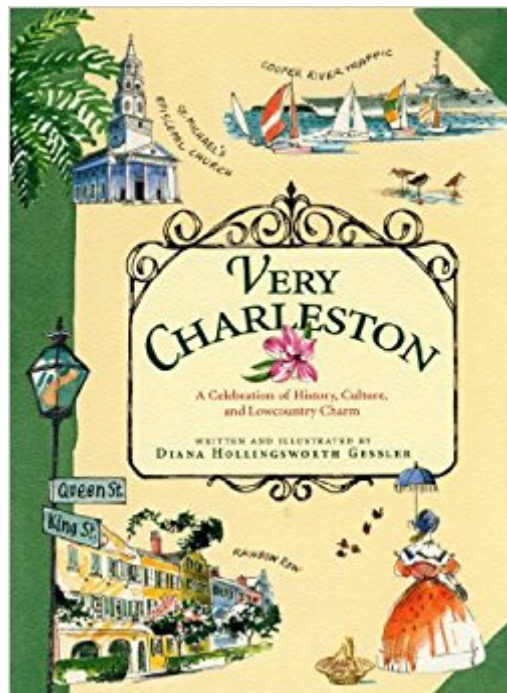




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Diana Hollingsworth Gessler is the author and illustrator of Very New Orleans, Very Charleston, and Very California. Her watercolors and oil paintings are represented by Shaw Gallery in Naples and Bonita Springs, Florida. She and her husband live in Melbourne, Florida, when theyâ™re not traveling.

We thought it was going to be a helpful travel book. It is not. It has loads of cartoon drawings with some interesting historical "tidbits" - some of which were inaccurate (as we learned when we visited various places) which added to the disappointment with this book. Cute book, but definitely not a travel resource. Very happy with seller, however. This rating, in no way, reflects on the seller!

I bought this book a a gift for my parents after they treated my husband and I to a trip to Charleston. The book is charming, beautifully illustrated and packed with information! It is a chunky smaller book so it sits on an end table nicely and is inviting for anyone who picks it up. My Dad likes it because it is a book one can pick up and read things in no particular order, just a tidbit here or a short story there. Filled with recipes of great low country food as well.

Lovely entertaining book!

Interesting guidebook for Charleston. Well illustrated with watercolor drawings. Book was just like new and arrived promptly

gift

I took a trip to Charleston. I read this before I went to help me become acquainted with the lay out of the city and the history. I took it with me to better get an idea of what I read and remind me of things I needed to check out. After returning home I can look at the book and it can remind me of the interesting places I visited.

I love this book. It includes African American historical and cultural facts which many other books of this kind does not. And the best part, on page 43, my 4th great grandfather Noisette, is featured.
Thank you Diana!

I stumbled upon this book after visiting Charleston. I fell in love with the city, as many do, and wanted to revisit the charm of the city combined with the nostalgia of a magical vacation. This book does the job. The watercolors are lovely and the text is informative.

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