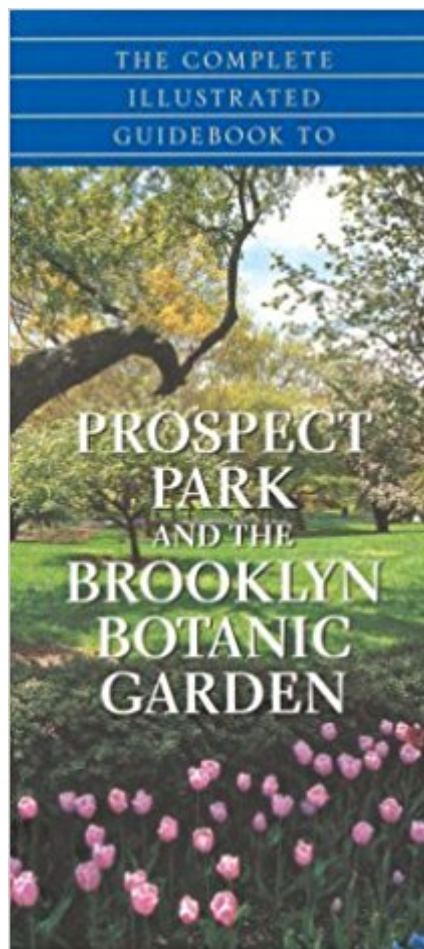




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Synopsis

Conveniently sized to fit in a pocket or bag, this reference includes more than 100 places to visit in Brooklyn's Prospect Park and nearby Botanic Garden. Eleven walking tours cover numerous sites in the Park, including the Zoo and the famed Cherry Walk. Beautiful full-color illustrations and photographs identify various birds and flowers; 20 pages of maps help you navigate and find restrooms and public services.

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This is a fantastic resource for folks interested in a succinct telling of the history of Prospect Park and BBG. It's made my daily trips to the park all the more enjoyable. At this point, given the changes in the skating rink at the park and the updates to the BBG, there are a few things that are out of date, but it's still an excellent resource.

Bought for my son who lives near Prospect Park, it looked like a great way to explore the park and learn more about it.

If you're into a geeky read about the history and layout of Prospect Park, then this book is a great read. Great pics, colorful pages, TONS of tips and suggestions. Even the dimensions are jacket pocket friendly.

Long-overlooked because of the size--and Manhattan location--of Central Park, Prospect Park, also

by Calvert Vaux and Frederick Law Olmstead, is in its own way aesthetically superior. Built for the same reasons as Central Park, Prospect Park was to offer beauty and relief from the congestion that spread across the rapidly growing city of Brooklyn. The neighboring Botanical Garden was to both inspire and educate Brooklynites to the healing power of nature."The Complete Illustrated Guidebook to Prospect Park and the Brooklyn Botanic Garden" is one of the first, if not the first, to combine both paradises and provide a practical guide to their beauty. Authors Berenson and deMause provide almost 200 photographs in this volume. More important is the catalog of walking tours and the 100 or so interesting spots you can examine in these urban Edens. So far, I've only explored three of the walking tours and I wasn't disappointed. I look forward to doing the rest of them!

Brilliant maps and loads of detail on history, architecture, nature, etc. in the magnificent kingdom that is Brooklyn's Prospect Park. Organized beautifully, and not so data-rich that it bogs you down; in fact, flipping through it will get you itchy to go out and explore. Hope this isn't out of print; if you spend any amount of time in Brooklyn (and certainly if you live here) this should be in your possession. (The BBG part is nice too, although less valuable because the Botanic Garden is amply signed and has lots of educational materials available.)

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