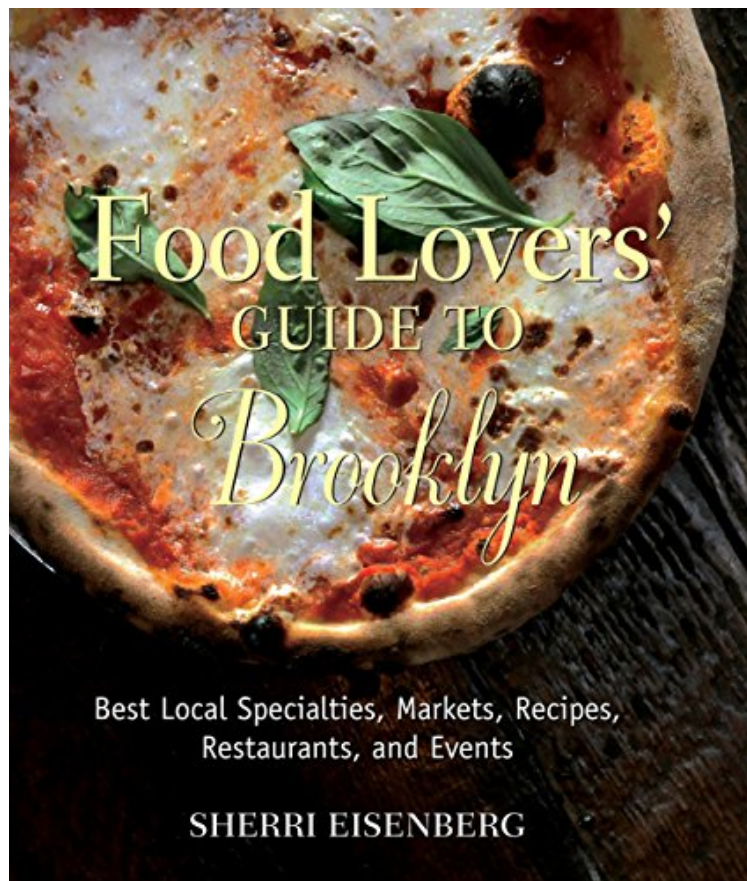


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**Sherri Eisenberg : Food Lovers' Guide to Brooklyn: Best Local Specialties, Markets, Recipes, Restaurants, and Events (Food Lovers' Series)** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Food Lovers' Guide to Brooklyn: Best Local Specialties, Markets, Recipes, Restaurants, and Events (Food Lovers' Series):

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Glad I watched the movie firstBy jajack21Loved the movie so decided to read the book. Hmmm, the Kindle book costs more than my movie ticket, lol.The writing is very descriptive, I now understand why a lot of reviewers would have found it boring at the beginning as I would have too. Luckily, since I've watched the movie, I can picture the scenes in my mind and am able to enjoy the beautiful writing. Am glad to read that the heroine also had brothers as I was sad to see their mom alone in the movie. Also excited to read descriptions about Enniscorthy, Co Wexford as that's where our very good Irish friends live and now I really want to visit.Like earlier reviewers, I agree that the book ending left me hanging - that's why I removed 1 star. I hate stories

with hanging endings! My real life sucks so I want full happy endings with each fictional story I get into, lol. So glad the movie decided to go further instead of leaving it to the watcher's imagination. Wish they'd make a revised version the book with the extended ending, or perhaps add an epilogue :). My husband commented that this book did not truly depict the hardships of a lone immigrant. I do not believe that an immigrant's experience was the object of this story. If so, this would have been a sad documentary. In my opinion, this book is about a young lady's experiences, what she felt and the choices she made; she just happened to be an immigrant. I've re-read the book 2x now, thanks to the movie playing in my mind, and am looking forward to the dvd as well. If you find the book boring in the beginning, try to catch the movie first then read the book. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Easy to visualize characters and scenery By eema2emma This book came highly recommended and I also wanted to check it out before I see the movie. Having said that, I can see why people enjoyed it. The writing is beautiful and brings the characters and scenery to life. I felt like I was in Brooklyn in the 1950s while reading it. I also liked the simplicity of life back then and it made me think of all I take for granted. (If I want to connect with someone, I can send them an e-mail. Back in the '50s, they had to write letters by post and it took days to communicate if they weren't living nearby.) Eilis was an interesting character and I felt a connection with her in some ways. She seemed likable, even when she did things I didn't necessarily agree with. There was only one really dramatic part and the rest just felt like a telling of her daily adventures and experiences, as well as her inner thoughts. Having said that, most of the story, including the ending, felt anticlimactic. I still want to see how this plays out on the screen, but I don't know that I always have the patience for books like this. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Path Many have Followed By GVC Brooklyn exemplifies one of the great values of reading, how the reader can become someone else in another place and another time. I was able; thanks to Colm Toibin to be so close to the protagonist Eilis Lacey, so much in her mind that I almost became her while reading the book. I felt her pain. I felt her joy. As the novel progressed Eilis grew and matured a sign that as a character she was real not a one-dimensional writer's description. In the 1950s Eilis leaves her native Ireland to move to New York where her prospects for employment and a better life are greater. Initially she is homesick for her mother and sister back in Ireland but the greater prosperity of Brooklyn and her falling in love change her life. Her sister dies and she returns to Ireland for an intended brief visit to comfort her mother. Back in Ireland she appreciates her original country more with its simpler attractive way of life and becomes attracted to a local man. The final chapter is dominated by her difficulty in deciding to return to the US or stay in Ireland. This story embodies ideas and feelings that many must of felt in the great migration from Ireland and Europe to the US and other countries like my own country, Australia. It is a story of one person Eilis Lacey but many would have been through similar torments.

From the borscht of Brighton Beach to the trendy bourbon milkshakes in Williamsburg and handmade ricotta in Cobble Hill, the iconic and surprising food finds of New York's coolest borough are here in Food Lovers' Guide to Brooklyn

Packed, district by district, with detailed listings, maps, and descriptions. . . . [This] book offers plenty to discover, including temporary markets, events, and pop-up and underground restaurants. New York Times