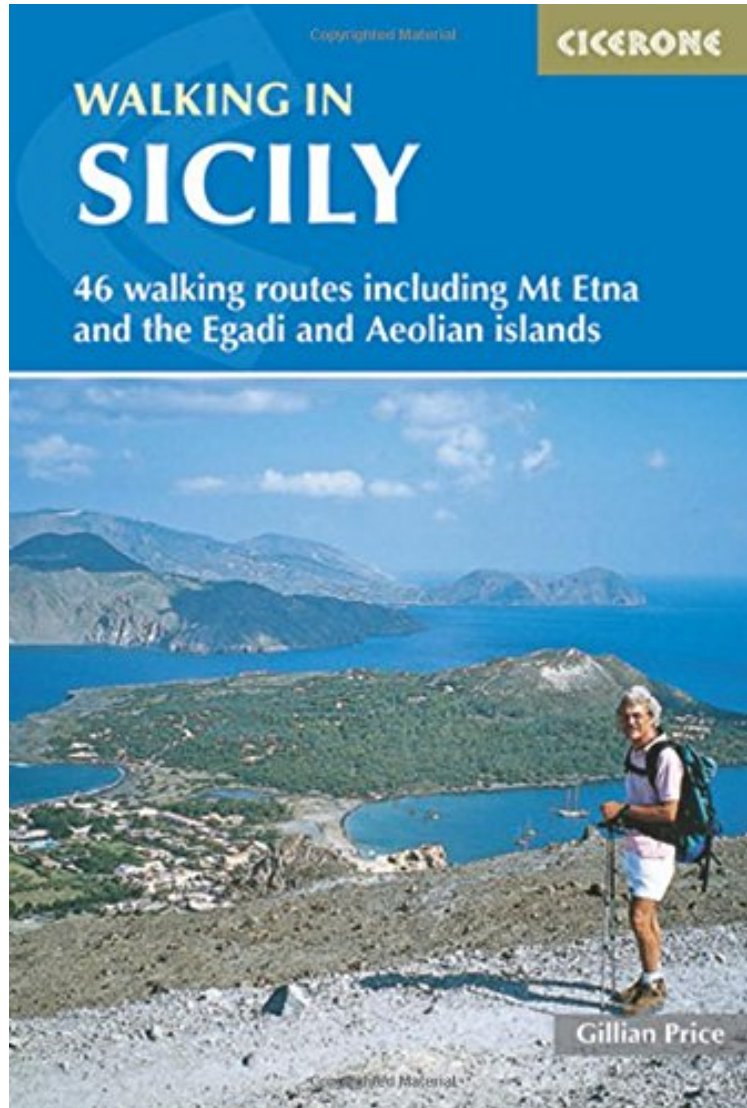


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**Gillian Price : Walking in Sicily (Cicerone Guides)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Walking in Sicily (Cicerone Guides):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Amazing book! By IowaRulesOK? We have used this book extensively on three visits to Sicily and it really has added a considerable amount to our travels. The walks often take you over less visited, but excellent, archaeological sites and gets you off the beaten path. Sicily has a tremendous amount to offer and this book will help you get the most out of your visit. One suggestion is to take a GPS with you, as discussed below. Another suggestion is to visit outside the summer when the heat can be brutal for walking. Overall, the

good points about this book are: 1. Compact, with a good cover. Stands up to a lot of use. Easy to take with you. 2. Walks are excellent, covering a lot of places where few tourists go. 3. The walk length of the walks is good. 3. Great to find so much information in a single book. The book has some potential issues: 1. Finding the start points of the trails can be a pain, so a GPS is advised, either Garmin (or similar) or Google Maps (or other maps) on a smartphone. For Garmin, you can enter the GPS coordinates of the starting points for the walks to allow you to drive to the start point. You can get the coordinates from Google Maps. You will need GPS in Sicily anyway, so you can do a bit of preparation to identify the start points before you go. Personally I found Garmin to be inferior to Google Maps on Android since it will tend to take you down narrow winding tracks when a nice highway is available. In addition, we found Garmin tends to lose its signal in towns where the narrow roads and stone buildings prevent satellite signals getting through. We had taken a Garmin GPS on prior visits, but the last time we went to Sicily we used Google Maps and we found it to be superior. You may need a data plan to make it work, though, or else download the Sicily map to use offline. 2. The maps on the book are sketches only. However I found them entirely adequate when combined with the more detailed trail instructions in the text. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Perfect guide. Makes great reading for fantasy tripping too. By Sponge Bob This book made my trip. Don't forget to download Sicily to your offline google maps and star every location in this book for easy navigation while offline. Some of these spots are off the beaten path and your phone will find them much more easily if they are starred. Pantalica pantalica pantalica. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Good resource for day hikes. By Cynthia Small and compact so easy to travel with. Good details.

Exploring this breathtaking island on foot is a journey through time. Sicily offers wild valleys pitted with Greek and Roman temples and ancient ruins - reminders of long-gone peoples. Mule tracks and age-old pathways have survived and reserve a wealth of surprises, starting with the carpets of brilliant wildflowers. Landscapes are grandiose. Olive groves thrive alongside citrus orchards, never far from snow-clad mountain ranges presided over by imposing volcanoes - ranging from extinct and visitable, through to placidly smoking, and to constantly active giants Etna and Stromboli from which fiery rivers of lava issue. In dramatic contrast is the string of peaceful offshore islands set in turquoise waters, which are pure Mediterranean in character. Sicily's stunning range of scenery, combined with its mild winters and hot dry summers, make rewarding walking holidays feasible all year round. Visits are facilitated by good road access and an excellent network of public transport. Accommodation is plentiful, as are memorable eating places with rich Mediterranean fare.

About the Author After a degree in Anthropology and working in adult education, Gillian Price travelled through Asia and trekked the Himalaya. Eventually settling in Venice, she now works as a freelance travel writer. Gillian is steadily exploring all the mountain ranges and flatter parts of Italy, and has produced a series of outstanding guides for Cicerone. She is an active member of the Italian Alpine Club CAI and Mountain Wilderness.