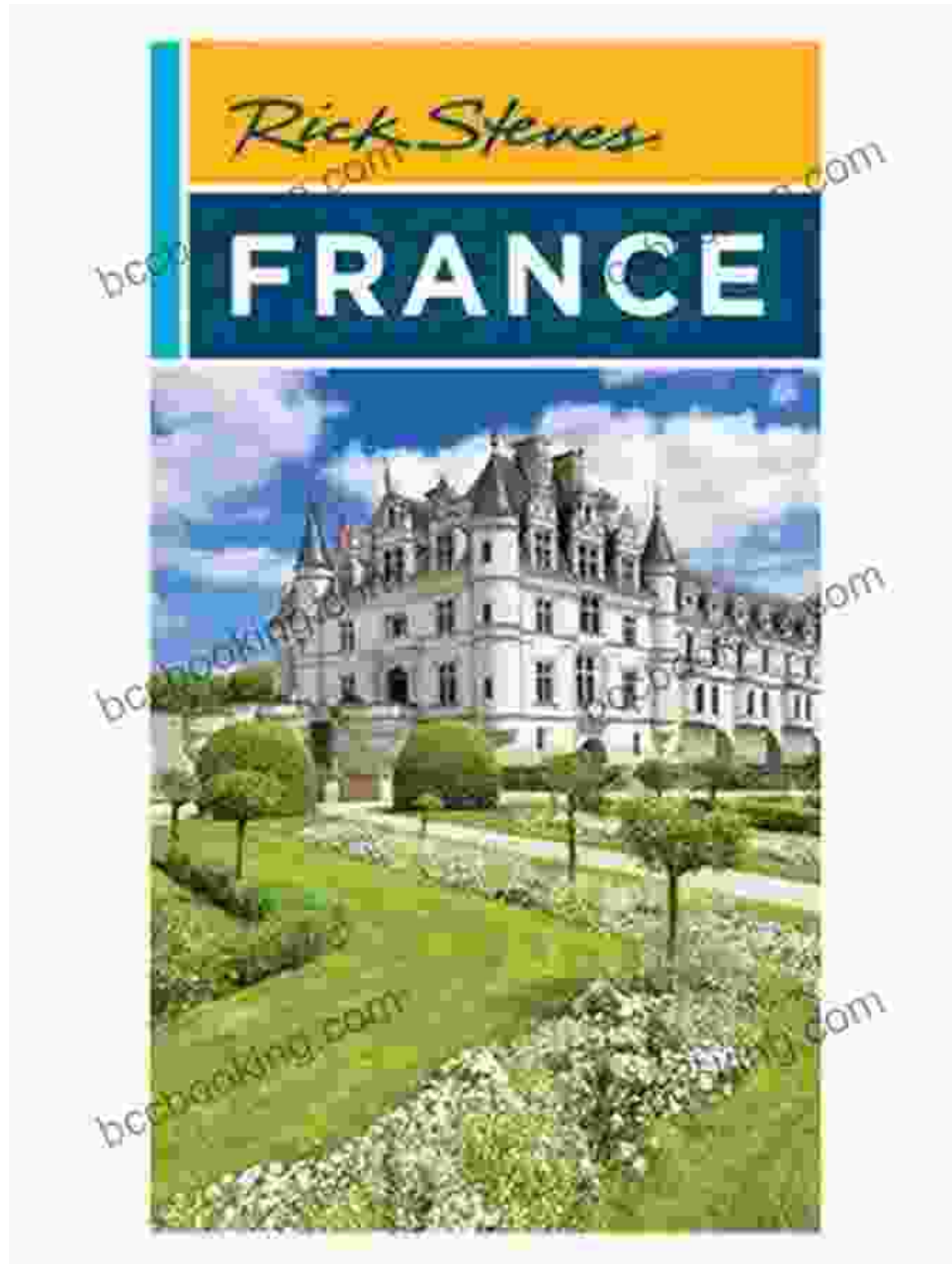


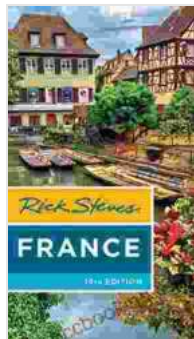
# Discover the Enchanting Heart of France with Rick Steves



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Begin your French adventure in the vibrant capital of Paris, where iconic landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre Museum, and the Arc de Triomphe await your exploration. Rick Steves unravels the secrets of this romantic city, from the hidden gems of Montmartre to the bustling boulevards of the Champs-Élysées. Delve into the depths of French culture by visiting world-renowned museums, admiring grand architecture, and indulging in delectable pastries at charming cafés.

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## **Savory Cuisine and Cultural Delights**

Indulge in the culinary delights that have made French cuisine renowned worldwide. Rick Steves unveils the secrets of local markets, where fresh produce and artisanal delicacies tantalize your taste buds. Learn the art of cheesemaking in the rolling hills of Normandy and embark on a gastronomic adventure in the culinary capital of Lyon. Experience the convivial atmosphere of traditional French bistros, where conversations flow as freely as the wine.

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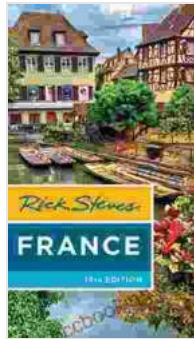
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