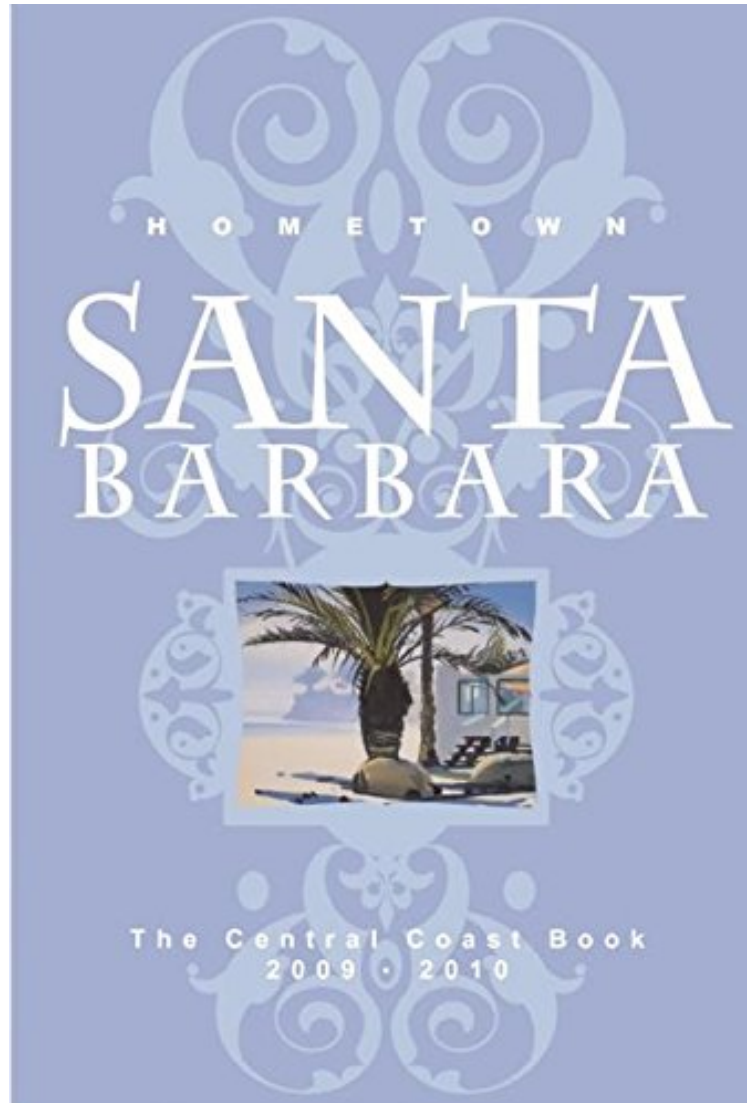


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Barbara with a few streets labeled and the back cover an overview of the larger surrounding areas from Carpinteria to Orcutt. The text would refer to interesting places but gave no maps as to their location, contrary to the Pasadena book with many map references. The Q A interviews were not at all relevant. I would give this book only 3 stars and H T Pasadena 5.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Guide to Santa BarbaraBy Linda from Santa BarbaraWe use this guide a lot, especially when we have out of town visitors. In fact, we usually leave it on the nightstand in the guest bedroom so our guests can get an overview of the things they might like to see and do in Santa Barbara. It's a great reminder to us as well. We have the 2009-2010 version, and would love to buy an updated version. Here's hoping!8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Great Find!By Tracy H. FreemanJust moved back to Santa Barbara after living in LA for fifteen years and wanted a quick read that would bring me up to date on what's been happening around town. This was a GREAT find - current, thorough and really interesting. Full of tips on what to see and do, where to eat, shop, explore, etc., but also intriguing (and often amusing) background info on local people and places. And fun to read, too, like sitting down to pick the brain of a good friend who's got the inside scoop on everything. I ended up buying several for Christmas gifts for people who've lived here most of their lives and who I know don't know half of what's in this book.

Hometown Santa Barbara is like having a dyed-in-the-wool local - five of them, actually - introducing you to the most interesting people in town, telling you the most fascinating stories, and whispering in your ear where to find the best antiques store, oceanview restaurant, surf spot, art gallery, peaceful hiking trail or convivial coffeehouse. With an intro by Fannie Flagg.

"This is a guide that any resident would want to have on the bookshelf, and that any tourist could use to discover the hidden secrets of Santa Barbara." --Santa Barbara Independent, November 19, 2008About the AuthorNancy Roberts Ransohoff (editor) is a contributing editor for "Montecito Magazine" and "Westway." Before she moved to Santa Barbara with her family, the Bowdoin alum was an editor for "Bon Appetit" and the Knapp Press in Los Angeles. Cheryl Crabtree is story editor of "Montecito Magazine," a contributor to Fodor's guides and Fodor.com, a writer for "Santa Barbara Seasons," co-author of the upcoming "California Directory of Fine Wineries - Central Coast," a Stanford grad, and a longtime Santa Barbaran. Starshine Roshell is a columnist for the "Santa Barbara Independent," a writer for "Santa Barbara Magazine," and the proprietress of Starshineroshell.com, where she waxes sassy on sex, politics, kids, fashion and life in Santa Barbara, where "carpools collide with couture." Leslie Dinaberg is a screenwriter, columnist for the Santa Barbara blog noozhawk.com, and a contributor to such magazines as "Santa Barbara Seasons" and "Santa Barbara Magazine." A UCLA alum and California Native, she lives in Santa Barbara with her husband, co-author Zak Klobucher. Zak Klobucher is a screenwriter, a software guy, a Harvard grad and the husband of co-author Leslie Dinaberg.