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**Kristin Finan : Cheap Bastard's Guide to Austin: Secrets Of Living The Good Life--For Less!** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Cheap Bastard's Guide to Austin: Secrets Of Living The Good Life--For Less!:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. great pick!By Kalyn RoseThis is a great book for people who are new to Austin (or any city that has a book)! I have skimmed through this multiple times trying to find something to do

or somewhere to eat. It's a great way to get inside information on a new city! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Shockingly underwhelming  
By Laura Roberts  
I excitedly borrowed this book from the library, expecting to learn some insider's tips on the city I currently live in. Everyone on the Internet is always talking about the great free fun things there are to do in Austin, and so far I haven't found anything worth getting hyped about. Barton Springs isn't even free anymore! Unfortunately, this book told me nothing I hadn't already heard a million times. Telling me to attend a free wine tasting at Spec's or get free samples at Central Market is hardly noteworthy. The subtitle of this book is "Secrets of Living the Good Life--For Less!" but anyone who has Internet access can easily Google the information in this book in about 5 minutes. Skipping the great outdoors scene--which is obviously free for those who love running, jogging, hiking, biking and whatnot--the urban sections of the book are unbearably awful. Austin's food scene offers essentially nothing for the cheap-eats enthusiast, unless you spend a pocketful on alcohol. This book listed three frat-house favorites with free food in a special sidebar, and their freebies weren't even truly free. (Chuy's, Draught House Pub, and Roppolo's Pizzeria, to save you the trouble of flipping through.) Give me some news I can use, things that are ACTUALLY free, and not just cheap! I know it's a tall order, since Austin is not really down with freebies in general, but that's supposed to be the point of this series: beating the system and giving me some local info that will help me live the good life as promised. I really enjoyed the San Francisco installment of this series, but if I'd paid money for this book, I would have been seriously underwhelmed.

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