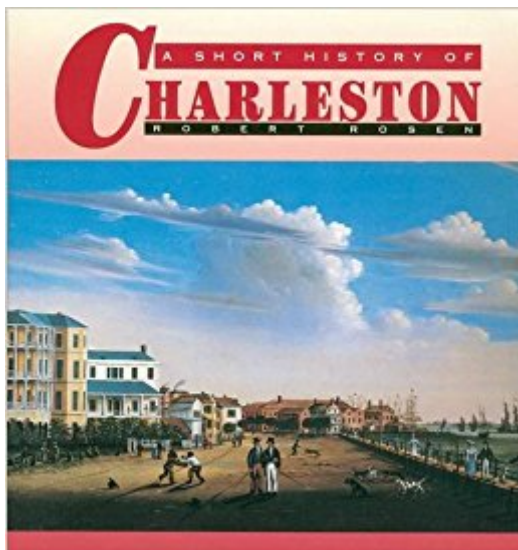


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# A Short History Of Charleston



## Synopsis

Robert N. Rosen's *A Short History of Charleston* has been hailed by critics, historians, and especially Charlestonians as authoritative, witty, and entertaining. Packed with anecdotes and enlivened by passages from diaries and letters, the fast-paced narrative recounts the port city's role in such signal events as the American Revolution, secession, and the Civil War.

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## Customer Reviews

"Sprightly and entertaining -- Robert Rosen has captured the flavor and flair of Charleston as few writers have been able to do."--The Post & Courier

Robert N. Rosen, a third-generation Charlestonian, practices law on historic Meeting Street. Author of *Confederate Charleston: A History of the City and the People during the Civil War*, he holds degrees from Harvard University and the University of Virginia.

Good overview but with a good level of content to keep the interest going. I found myself as a local in Charleston for 13 years showing around friends and family and not really knowing a great deal on the history with the exception of the "First shots of the civil war" and a few vague Revolutionary war references as well such as Fort Moultrie against the British fleet in 1776. This is the book to read, digest and reference encompassing all the necessary highs and lows of Charleston history.

The book was very illuminating on the history of Charleston. Without wasting a lot of words on

useless facts the book presents the interesting history of Charleston in a very entertaining manner.

This book was suggested by several of the docents on various tours (city walks, plantations and Fort Sumter) I took on a recent trip to Charleston. I skimmed it before going and then read certain chapters more carefully after visiting. The chapters on the Civil War were particularly engrossing.

Excellent, brief history of Charleston, a good companion for a visit to the city.

I've just returned from a short visit to Charleston and Rosen's "Short History to Charleston" was a perfect comrade in preparation for the tour. His book is a fun and quick read full of all the sort of information one needs to delect in Charleston's fascinating history. Not only does it give a rather complete, albeit brief, historical account of Charleston's dramatic evolution from beginning to near present day, but every page provides descriptions of remarkable individuals or events which enhance and delight the reader's experience of Charleston's history all of which are most often embellished with remarkable illustrations. I highly recommend this book.

A great history of Charleston. We drove from Atlanta to Charleston and I read the book out loud to my husband as we went. Full of interesting and titillating gossip and history. One of the eye opening tidbits is that most of the white landowners could not grow a crop of anything until the slaves showed them how to grow and harvest rice and rice is what made them rich. You should read this before your next trip to better understand the history of this beautiful city.

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Great review of history before a visit to that beautiful city! Because of the storm, we put off our visit until things are back to normal!

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