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Well researched and well written.

This book was published in 1986, so it's already 25 years old and some of the information about the neighborhoods is no longer true: that is, some of the buildings mentioned as being there are gone, and buildings that weren't there 25 years ago are now part of the neighborhood. Still, this is a wonderful book on the history (and location, of course) of Chicago's many, many neighborhoods, with suggestions on what to see when touring them. If you need to know facts about Chicago's neighborhoods, this book is a good resource. I wish it were updated.

This is literally an indespensible book for anybody interested in Chicago history, because for once a book more or less ignores politicians, big business, and downtown and concentrates on neighborhoods, churches, and "the little people" without being pedantic, condescending, or Marxist. Each chapter covers one of the 15 neighborboods, and includes a narrative and a brief tour description. The book is almost 20 years old so is a little out of date, but is really worth getting a copy of if you can.

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